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COMPLETE LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS.

Below will be found a complete list of the prize winners in the various lotteries at last Sunday's fete in aid of the funds of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Winners are asked to note that they should take delivery of their prizes from Messrs. J. M. Alves Office, 1-A Chater Road, on or before noon on Saturday, 10th December. All prizes unclaimed after this date will be auctioned.

Motor car won by Mr. Standage.

Ticket No. 2107—The following are the Consolation Prizes:

1st Silver Centre Piece, Ticket No. 1730; Mr. Ho Shit Yu; 2nd, B.S.A. Bicycle, Ticket No. 2402; Mr. Tay Kuen Swan; 3rd, Wall Clock, Ticket No. 0736; Mr. W. J. Eldridge; 4th, Rocking Horse, Ticket No. 2473; Mr. Robt. Innes; 5th, Large Doll, Ticket No. 1589; Mr. Choa Po Sien; 6th, Manicure Set, Ticket No. 1311; Capt. Stanton, K.O.S.B.; 7th, Rocking Horse, Ticket No. 2133; Mr. K. E. Mogra (Canton); 8th, Cow (toy), Ticket No. 2123; Mr. B. Wong; 9th, ley Hot Jug, Ticket No. 2157; Mr. A. G. Hope; 10th, Sucking Pig (toy), Ticket No. 1864; Mr. T. J. Roberts, American Stall.

1st Drawing: 1st No. 91, Mrs. C. Gardner, 2nd No. 7, Miss Annie Stonham, 3rd No. 90, c/o Dockyard, 4th No. 50, Alberto Alves, 5th No. 88, Mrs. J. M. Alves.

2nd Drawing: 1st No. 26, Barrett, 2nd No. 22, F. K. Mody, 3rd No. 37, Marie Remedios, 4th No. 61, Rohn, 5th No. 47, F. M. Xavier.

3rd Drawing: 1st No. 18, H. L. Yung, 2nd No. 47, Mrs. Nydia Silva, 3rd No. 110, Evelina Veira, 4th No. 13, Margaret, 5th No. 8, R. Santos.

4th Drawing: 1st No. 4, H. C. Wong, 2nd No. 77, A. Franky, 3rd No. 69, W. Loureiro, 4th No. 76, Miss Kwok, 5th No. 72, Mrs. Choa Po Sien.

5th Drawing: 1st No. 40, Miss M. Loureiro, 2nd No. 47, Moss, Kennedy Rd., 3rd No. 39, Ruby Hyder, 4th No. 88, J. M. Alves, 5th No. 120, R. Santos.

6th Drawing: 1st No. 106, Rinaldo Xavier, 2nd No. 23, J. Lewis, 3rd No. 17, J. M. J. & Y., 4th No. 101, J. A. da Silva, 5th No. 22, D. A. Rosario.

7th Drawing: 1st No. 47, Celeste Ozorio, 2nd No. 110, Simon, Tae Yen, 3rd No. 117, Mrs. Barrett, 4th No. 81, Simon, Tae Yen, 5th No. 115, E. F. Brown.

8th Drawing: 1st No. 39, M. da Silva, 2nd No. 98, E. Osmund, 3rd No. 48, G. A. for W. P., Kowloon, 4th No. 63, J. E. Olleront, 5th No. 112, E. J. O'Neill.

9th Drawing: 1st No. 75, J. H. Briston, 2nd No. 87, R. O. Ward, 3rd No. 120, H. F. Young, 4th No. 3, Pickford, 5th No. 47, H. Dixon.

The 10th, 11th and 12th drawings were cancelled.

American Stall (Special).

1st Drawing: 1st 1 Rocking Horse, No. 11, H. Dixon, 2nd 1 Coffee set, No. 16, Chee Ling, 3rd 1 Railway, No. 92, V. Silva, 4th 1 Fire Engine, No. 58, J. Brown, 5th 1 Garden Set, No. 40, R. Davis.

2nd Drawing: 1st 1 Tricycle, No. 51, J. M. Alves, 2nd 1 Donkey, No. 61, I. M. Xavier, 3rd 1 Doll (Pink), No. 42, Mabel E. Gourdin, 4th 1 Doll (Cheek), No. 15, J. Lawrie, 5th 1 Elephant, No. 73, A. Granely.

3rd Drawing: 1st 1 Pair Flower Pots, No. 85; V. Riedler, 2nd 1 Aluminium Tea Set, No. 11, E. Hyndham, 3rd 1 Doll (Lace), No. 76, Dickey Alves, 4th 1 Doll (Yellow), No. 57, H. Neves, 5th 1 Box Blocks, No. 68, J. F. Xavier.

4th Drawing: 1st 1 Tricycle, No. 47, J. A. Rocha, 2nd 1 (Tom) Cat, No. 15, E. A. Noronha, 3rd 1 Doll (Blue), No. 4, Mrs. J. Noronha, 4th 1 Doll (Flower), No. 60, A. W. Ribeiro, 5th 1 Truck, No. 55, Capt. G. A. Malig.

5th Drawing: 1st 1 Cushion, No. 88, M. C. da Souza, 2nd 1 Pig, No. 22, G. Guzman (Savoy Hotel), 3rd 1 Rifle (Eureka), No. 10, Marie Nolasco, 4th 1 Doll (Apron)

LIFT TRAGEDY.

CRUSHED BY FALLING WEIGHT.

An unusual accident occurred at the Jardine Engineering Corporation's building on Saturday evening in which a Chinese met with instant death, his head being crushed by the falling weight of the lift.

It seems that a party of seven men went to the building to fix electric wires. Four of them ascended in the lift, the remainder remaining below. One of their number, inquisitive as to the working of the lift, stepped inside the shaft and before he could get out again the descending weight struck him, crushing his head.

His companions dragged him out to find life extinct, death having been instantaneous. The police were notified and the body removed to the mortuary.

No. 94, Aldo C. dos Remedios, 1 barrel, No. 61, Yolanda Britto.

6th Drawing: 1st 1 Shaving Set, No. 42, Mang Hang, 2nd 1 Dog.

No. 77, L. W. Edwards, 3rd 1 Coffee Set, No. 11, A. A. Botelho,

4th 1 Baby Doll, No. 18, E. F. Wilkinson, 5th 1 Horse and Cart, No. 7, J. Noronha.

7th Drawing, cancelled.

8th Drawing: 1st 1 Large Doll, No. 63, Backhouse, 2nd 1 Tea Set, No. 65, R. Soenderake, 3rd 1 Doll,

No. 18, H. Smith, 4th 1 Aluminium Set, No. 40, G. M. Spada, 5th 1 Eureka Set, No. 27, H. H. Milly.

9th Drawing: 1st No. 80, J. M. S. Blundell, 2nd No. 9, Else Monteiro, 3rd No. 10, Angus C. Medonald, 4th No. 51, H. S. Cheung, 5th No. 33, D. A. Rosario.

10th Drawing: 1st 1 Pr. Triangular Flower Pots, No. 4, Julianne,

2nd 1 Tea Set, No. 19, S. & N. R. Miss Gutierrez 9 lbs. 3/4 oz.

Dairy Farm Ham, correct weight 9 lbs. 4 oz. Miss E. Loureiro 9 lbs. 6 oz.

Sucking Pig, correct weight 16 lbs. 14 oz. Monteiro 16 lbs. 8 oz.

Turkey, correct weight 12 lbs. 9 oz. Olive Xavier 12 lbs. 10 oz.

Mrs. J. M. S. Rosario, Mr. A. M. Vaux is representing the father of the deceased.

The case was adjourned.

Johnstone (Dodwell and Co.), 3rd Prize F. J. Tavares (Rope Co.).

Guessing Competition: Xmas Cake, correct weight 9 lbs. 3/4 oz.

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Little Flower Stall.

Raffle of Toys: 1st Elisa Baptista, 2nd Mrs. Chau, 3rd J. M. Alves, 4th Jose da Graca, 5th Alicia Gutierrez, 6th W. R. Wilkinson, 7th Jose Santiago, 8th Mrs. Alves, 9th Cissy Pereira, 10th C. and S., 11th Rev. A. Granella, 12th Mrs. Barton, 13th C. and S., 14th Mrs. C. Gardner, 15th Yolanda Silva, 16th A. S. da Silva, 17th Rev. L. M. Rossi, 18th A. D. Blanco, 19th G. de S. Valtorta.

Raffle of Fancy Articles: 1st Marie Vas, 2nd Marie Remedios, 3rd Alice Gutierrez, 4th Olive Xavier, 5th M. C. Nolasco da Silva, 6th Maria M. Alves, 7th C. A. Barreto, 8th Mr. Paul, 9th Mrs. A. A. Alves, 10th C. A. Xavier, 11th Phenicia Cruz, 12th Patricia Remedios, 13th H. M. Soares, 14th Mrs. G. J. Spink, 15th W. R. Wilkinson, 16th V. Shanks, 17th V. Shanks.

Shooting Gallery (Dollar Raffle): 1st Prize Ticket No. 118; 2nd Prize Ticket No. 229; 3rd Prize Ticket No. 119; 4th Prize Ticket No. 172; 5th Prize Ticket No. 87; 6th Prize Ticket No. 60; 7th Prize Ticket No. 151; 8th Prize Ticket No. 146; 9th Prize Ticket No. 144; 10th Prize Ticket No. 49.

Ten Cents Stall (Dollar Raffle): 1st Prize Ticket No. 71 Mr. Fred Xavier; 2nd Prize Ticket No. 52 Mr. A. E. Carvalho; 3rd Prize Ticket No. 9 Miss Celeste Batoy; 4th Prize Ticket No. 34 Miss Alice Carvalho; 5th Prize Ticket No. 23 Mr. Van Wyk; 6th Prize Ticket No. 57 Mr. F. de la Cruz; 8th Prize Ticket No. 49 Mrs. Leonor Noronha; 9th Prize Ticket No. 43 Mr. J. M. Alves; 10th Prize Ticket No. 19 Mr. Hector Remedios; 11th Prize Ticket No. 41 Mr. J. E. Rocha; 12th Prize Ticket No. 75 Mr. W. G. Whyte.

Chinese Ladies Stall (30 cents stall): 1st Prize N. H. Ford (Tutorial Institute); 2nd Prize

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A TEMPLE DEDICATION.—A crowd estimated at 30,000 people witnessed the ceremony of dedication of the Arizona Temple at Mesa, Ariz., by President Heber J. Grant of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Following the exercises the magnificent structure was closed to the public, and will be used only for religious rituals. The picture shows part of the crowd.



TO LOST AIRMEN.—In commemoration of the fliers who lost their lives in the Dole race from San Francisco to Honolulu, flowers were strown over the waters in an impressive mid-Pacific ceremonial recently. The photograph shows the crowd aboard the steamer Maui preparing to honour the seven lost aviators.



WORLD'S SMALLEST BIBLE.—This tiny Bible, the property of M. H. Livingston of Covington, Ky., is said to be the world's smallest copy. A human hand is shown in the picture, depositing the Bible on a rostrum in a model church built by Livingston.



NOT FIRE BUT DIET.—Calm yourself, the Capitol was not ablaze when this photo was made: it was merely receiving its semi-annual bath at the hands and hose of Washington firemen.



HOAXER.—Smiling at you here is Dr. Dorothy C. Logan, London physician, who claimed that she swam the English Channel from Cape Gris Nez to Folkestone in an hour and twenty minutes under Gertrude Ederle's woman's record. Dr. Logan later admitted that it was a hoax.



TWO GENERATIONS.—August Haucke, 71, who passed under the Arc de Triomphe in Paris as a soldier in the triumphant German armies of 1871 and his son, Frank, who marched beneath the arch as an American doughboy in the 1918 victory parade, reverently view the tomb of the French unknown soldier at the Arc during the Legion convention.



TO TESTIFY.—Admiral J. K. Robison is one of the witnesses summoned in the trial of former Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall and Harry F. Sinclair, on charges of conspiracy to defraud the Government.



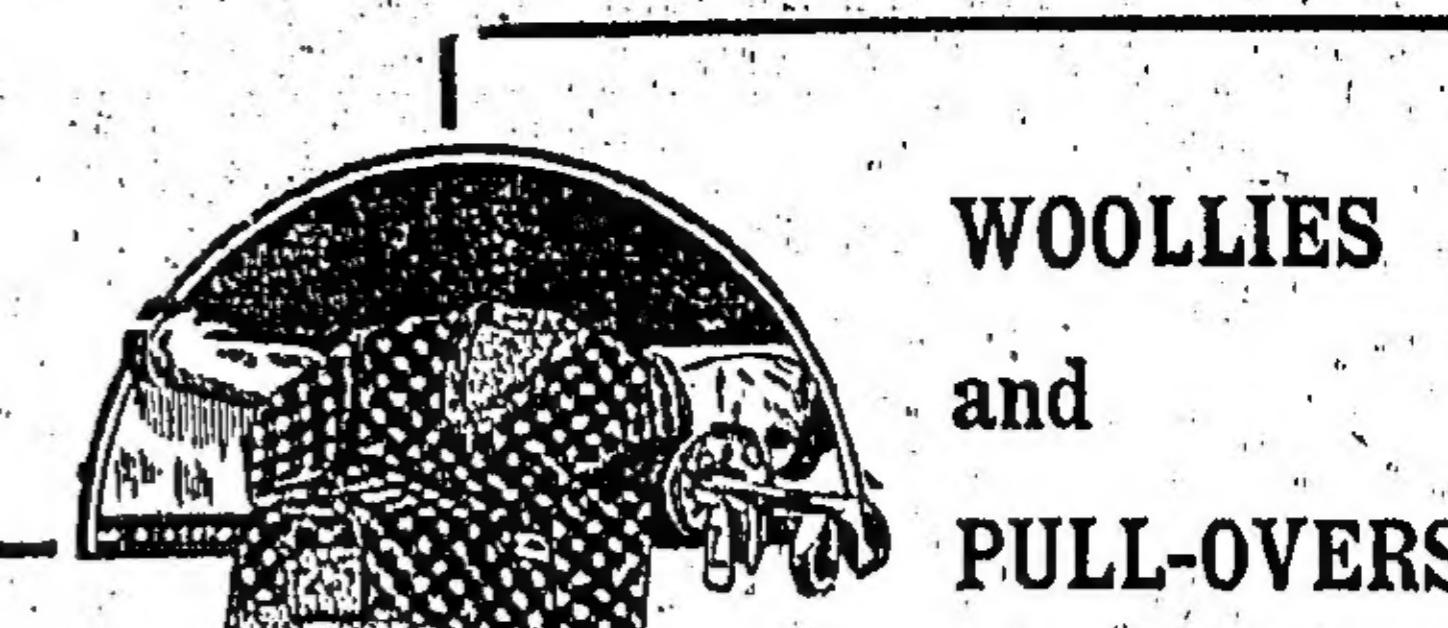
STAGE AND SCREEN.—Richard Bartholemew, movie actor poses here with his fiancée, Katherine Wilson, stage actress. The two are in Los Angeles, where they plan to be married soon.



OBTAINED PROMINENCE.—Pretty Ruth Elder was certainly going to take wing across the Atlantic. Such was the substance of her determined remarks when she arrived at Roosevelt Field, Long Island, from Wheeling, W. Va., with Capt. George Haldeman, her navigator. You see them here beside their orange monoplane, "American Girl." But they failed, were rescued in mid-ocean, and obtained much world notice.



MARCONI IN AMERICA.—Guglielmo Marconi, inventor of wireless, and his titled wife the former Countess Christina Bezzi Scassi, are shown here arriving in New York to attend the international Radio Conference, held there recently.



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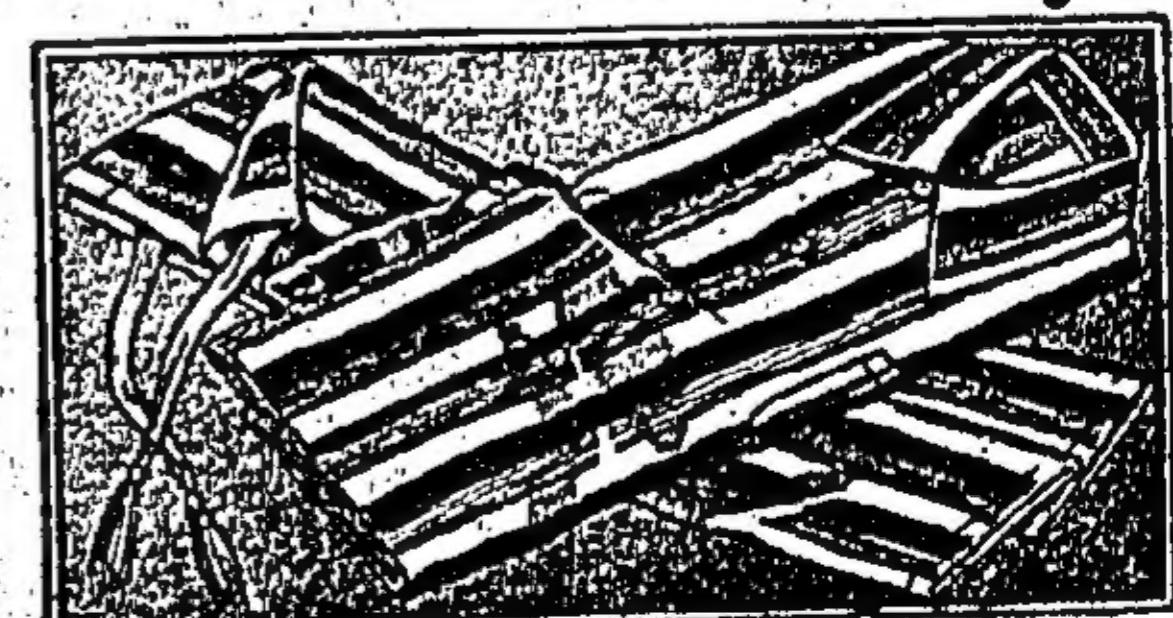
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FOUR

HORSEMEN
of the Apocalypse

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

The Columbia Pacific Shipping Company, Room 26 Bank of Canton Building, announces that effective December 6th, 1927, Mr. A. L. Thomson has been appointed Acting District Agent succeeding Mr. H. S. Zumwalt who is leaving for home.

COLUMBIA PACIFIC SHIPPING COMPANY.

Managing Operators,
OREGON ORIENTAL LINE.
Hongkong, Dec. 6th, 1927.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER COMPANY (1918), LIMITED.

THE NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong on Thursday the 22nd day of December 1927, at noon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 30th November, 1927, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, the 10th December, 1927, until Thursday, the 22nd December, 1927, both days inclusive.

Shareholders intending to send in for registration Transfers of partly Paid "New" Shares are particularly requested to note that the liability to pay the Final Call of \$3 per share is not transferred to the transferee, and the Company will therefore require payment of the Final Call before registering a transfer of "New" Shares.

On all Final Calls paid in advance of the ultimately due date, the Company pays interest half yearly, i.e., to 31st December and 30th June, at the rate of Seven per cent. per annum from the date of payment of the Call until the date when the Call finally falls due.

SHewan, Tomes & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, 5th December, 1927.

NEW TERRITORIES AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

Wednesday and Thursday, 7th and 8th December, 1927.

Official Opening by H. E. The Governor on Wednesday, 7th December, at 2.30 p.m.

Trains to Sheung Shui at 1.15 p.m. from Kowloon.

Trains from Sheung Shui at 4.45 p.m. to Kowloon.

Trains from Sheung Shui at 5.56 p.m. to Kowloon.

Return Fares:

Adults, Scholars and Children
1st Class \$1.50 75 cts.
2nd Class .85 45 cts.
3rd Class .60 30 cts.

Buses from Sheung Shui Halt to the Grounds from 2 p.m. each day.

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FIFTH EXTRA RACE MEETING, SUNDAY, 11th DECEMBER, 1927. (Weather Permitting).

First Saddling Bell 12.45 p.m.

First Race at 1.15 p.m.

Public Enclosure 40 cents.

Members Enclosure \$2.00.

Steamers to Macao.

Lungshan 8.30 a.m. Sunday, 11th December.

Sui An 9.30 a.m. Sunday 11th December.

Returning from Macao.

Sui An 3.30 p.m.

Lungshan 5.30 p.m.

By Order,

S. W. CHENG,

Secretary.

Hongkong, December 8, 1927.

CHINA AUCTION ROOMS.

4, Duddell Street.

If you have anything you would like to sell, exchange or advertise send it to the CHINA AUCTION ROOM.

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LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on WEDNESDAY,
the 7th December, 1927,
at 11 o'clock a.m.

At the Godown of The Standard Oil Co. of New York, Lai-chi-kek. (for account of the concerned.)

88 Boxes Tin Plates, more or less damaged.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on THURSDAY,
the 8th December, 1927,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.

at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

comprising:—

Teak Hatstand, Bookcases, Glass Cabinets, Desks, Chesterfield Couch and Chairs, Carpets, Rugs, Ornaments, etc., etc.

Teak Dining Table and Chairs, Sideboards with Bevelled Mirrors, Dinner Wagons, Tea Sets, Dinner Services, Glass Ware, Kitchen Utensils, etc., etc.

Bedsteads, Teak Wardrobes with Bevelled Mirrors, Dressing Tables, Chests of Drawers, Chamber Stands, Toilet Sets, etc., etc.

also

A Few Pieces of Blackwood Furniture.

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One Sextant (New).

One Clinometer.

Two Planes.

Three Gramophones.

On View from Wednesday, the 7th December, 1927.

Catalogues will be issued.

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.

Hongkong Bank, \$1140 b.

Chartered Bank, £21 b.

Mercantile A. & B., £31 n.

Paard O. £10 n.

Est Asia, \$62 n.

Insurances.

Canton Ins., \$555 b.

Union Ins., \$293 b.

North China, Ins., Tls. 143 n.

Yangtze Ins., \$461 b.

China Underwriters, \$1,20 s.

China Fire, \$215 n.

H. K. Fire Ins., \$635 b.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$38 b.

H. K. Steamboats, \$30 s.

H.K. Tug, \$170 s.

Indo-Chinas, (Prof.) \$30 n.

Shall Trans., 90/- n.

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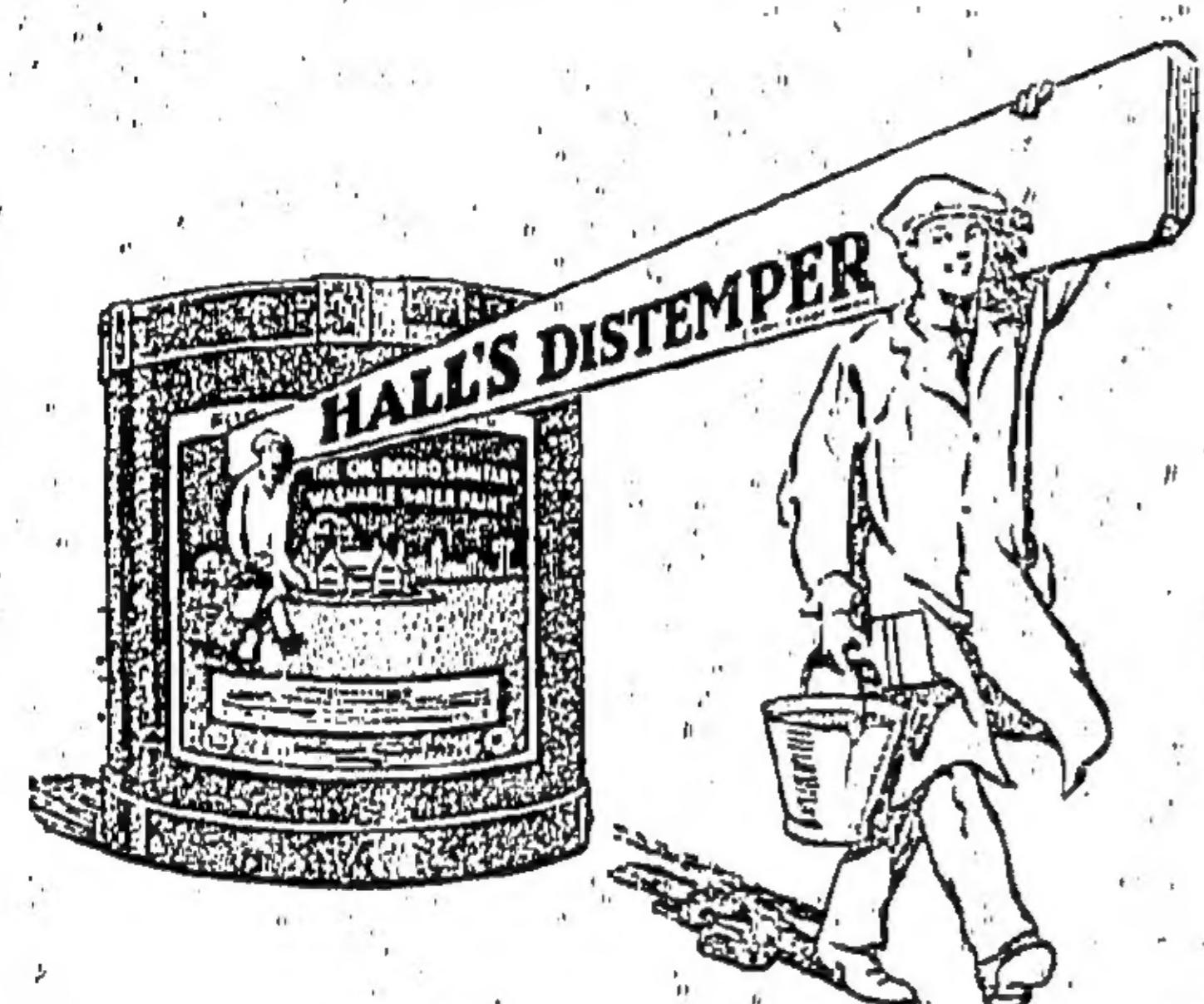
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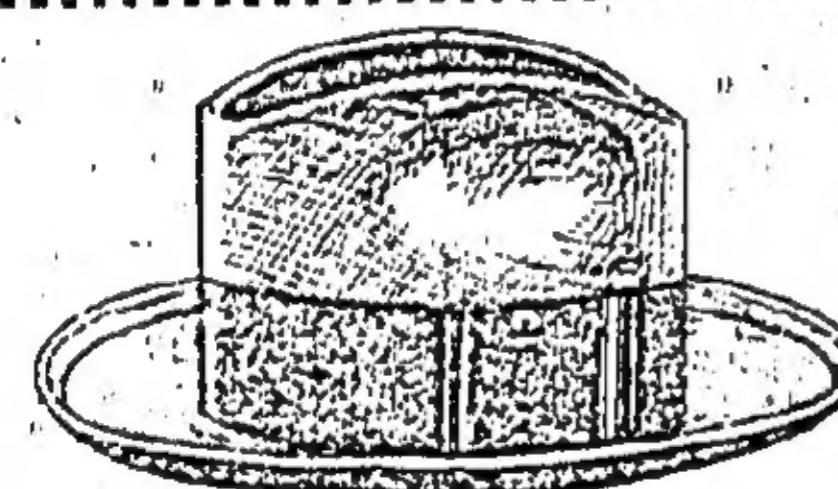
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**BRITISH FIRM IN
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FOUNDATION.**

Messrs. Ker and Company, the well-known firm of exporters, importers and insurance agents, of Manila, have just celebrated the centenary of the foundation of their firm in the Philippines.

The firm, which is one of the oldest-established in the Far East, commenced operations in Manila in 1827, as the result of the gradual expansion and development of a business which was already flourishing in Singapore and Java. The foundation of this business dates from 1823 when Mr. Hugh Syme, of the firm of Murray, Syme and Company, Liverpool, arrived in Singapore from England, and commenced to trade under the name of Syme and Company. Steamships and the Suez Canal were as yet undreamed of at that time, and Mr. Syme had to travel by a small sailing vessel via the Cape of Good Hope. It is recorded that his voyage lasted five months. In the year 1825 Mr. Syme joined in partnership with Mr. J. K. Pitcairn, and established at Batavia, in Java, the firm of Pitcairn, Syme and Company. Branches of this firm were subsequently opened at Sourabaya and Samarang, Java, while a branch of Syme and Company was established at Bangkok, Siam.

The style of the firm of Murray, Syme and Company has, owing to the death or retirement of the partners, undergone changes at intervals, during the past hundred years,—first to Shoffield, Doering and Company, later to Shoffield, Bolton and Company, and still later to Ker, Bolton and Company, under which name business is at present carried on at the firm's principal offices in London and Glasgow. The Philippine branch of the firm was established in Manila in November, 1827, under the name of Ker, Murray and Company, the designation being changed in 1846 to its present form, Ker and Company. The firm are represented also by branches in Iloilo and Cebu.

LETTER GOLF.**HERE'S A NEAT FOUR.**

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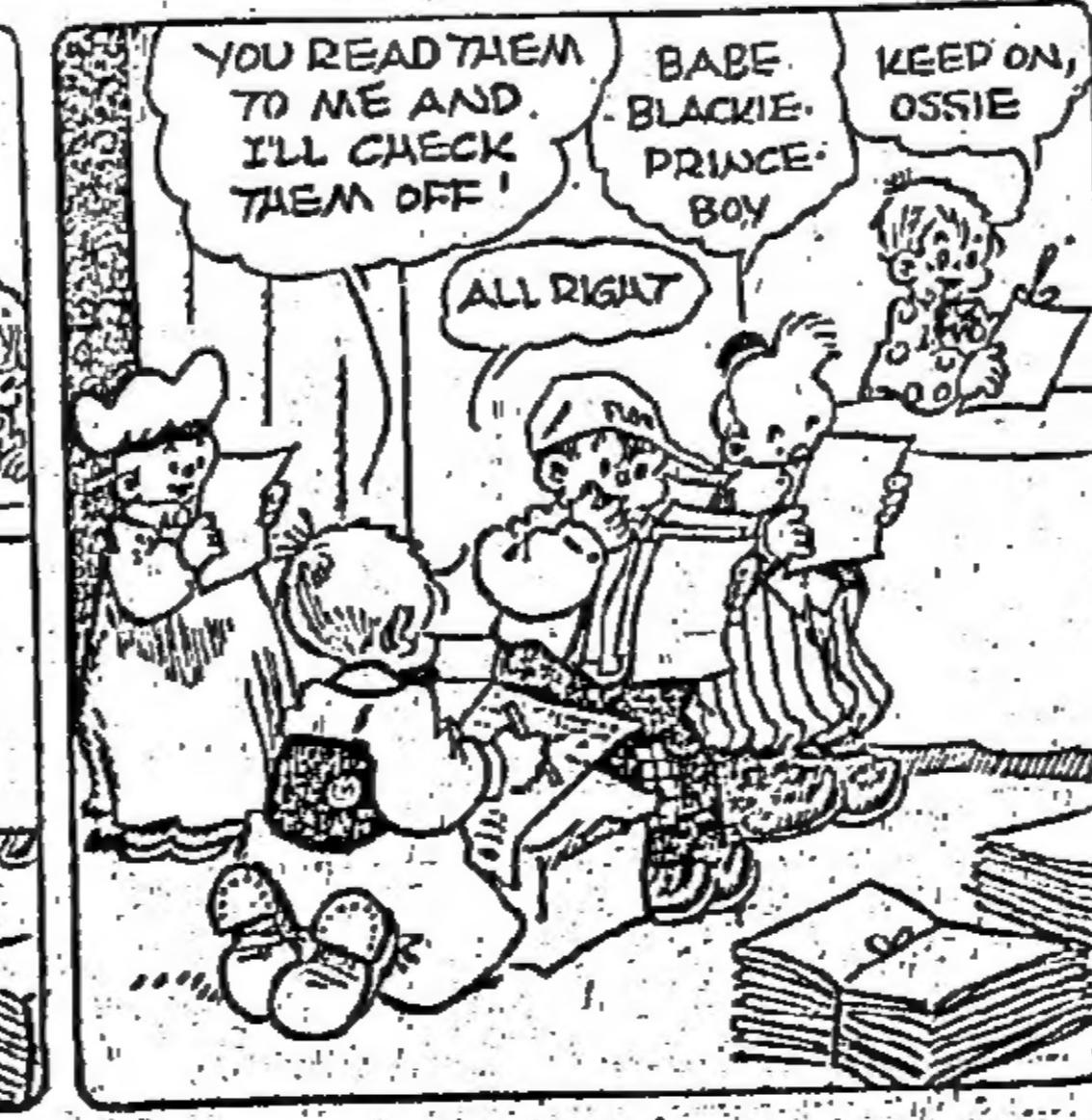
1.—The idea of letter golf is to change one word to another and to it in par, given a number of strokes. Thus to change COW TO HEN, in three strokes, COW, HOW, HEN.

2.—You can change only one letter at a time.

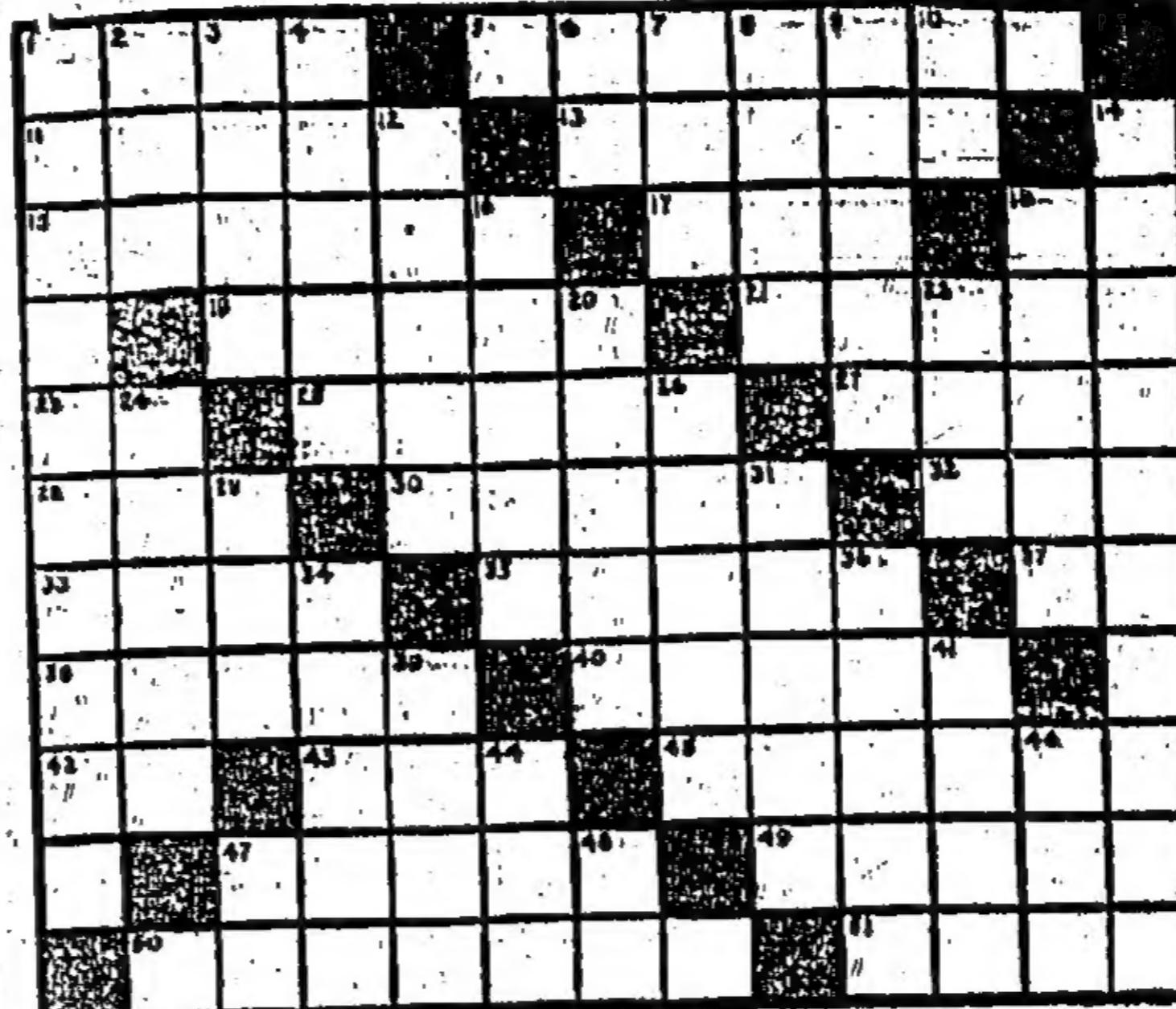
3.—You must have a complete word, or common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4.—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page of this issue.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS**Picking It Fair**

By Blosser

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.

Across.

- 1. Rodents.
- 5. Muze threefold.
- 11. To enlist.
- 13. Pertaining to a region.
- 15. Tar.
- 17. To devour.
- 18. Behold.
- 19. Oral.
- 21. Got up.
- 23. Examination of inquiry.
- 25. Swift.
- 27. Tidy.
- 28. Eccentric wheel.
- 30. Even.
- 32. Evening preceding a holiday.
- 33. Street car.
- 35. Leaf division of the calyx.
- 37. Half an em.
- 38. Not as many.
- 40. Braided thong.
- 42. You and me.
- 43. To knock lightly.
- 45. Term of holding.
- 47. Detests.
- 49. To restrain.
- 50. Connected by kinship.
- 51. Hardens.

Down.

- 1. Regardful.
- 2. Collection of facts.
- 3. To cause to stumble.
- 4. Pertaining to the sun.
- 6. Sun god.
- 7. Before.
- 8. To carry burdens.
- 9. Classical language.
- 10. Deity.
- 12. Pertaining to the space between the eyes and the bill of a bird.
- 14. Contestants.
- 16. Larvats.
- 18. To depart.
- 20. Organ which secretes bile.
- 22. To observe.
- 24. Rabbits.
- 26. Railway station.
- 29. Crav.
- 31. Crippled.
- 34. Iron.
- 36. Alleys.
- 38. Polynesian chestnut.
- 41. Pear-shaped stringed instrument.
- 44. House cat.
- 46. To soak flax.
- 47. Masculine pronoun.
- 48. Point of compass.

CINEMA NOTES.**"ALIAS THE DEACON" AT THE QUEEN'S.**

An unusual and appealing film is to be seen at the Queen's Theatre to-day in "Alias the Deacon," a simple story of a picturesque character.

"Alias the Deacon" proved a tremendous success as a stage play in London and New York. With Jean Hersholt, one of the most celebrated actors on the screen, in the rich role of the gambler who covers his real occupation under the benign exterior of a deacon, it is even better as a film.

In addition to the character star, the cast of the picture includes Ralph Graves, June Marlowe, Myrtle Stedman, Lincoln Pleasant, Ned Sparks, Maurice Murphy, Tom Kennedy and others.

"The Black Pirate."

Described as the wonder film of the year in which it was produced, "The Black Pirate" is being screened again in Hongkong, being the feature attraction at the World Theatre from today to Saturday. The picture has been shown in the Colony before, but it is sure to draw crowded houses during its present run, because local cinema-goers will not have a further opportunity of seeing it in the Colony. The hero of "The Black Pirate" is Douglas Fairbanks, moving easily and lithely through a series of amazing and thrilling adventures against a picturesque background. The picture is in full natural colour.

"Manhandled."

"Manhandled," Gloria Swanson's Paramount picture, which comes to the Star Theatre to-day and tomorrow was produced by Allan Dwan from Arthur Stringer's story of the same name.

Miss Swanson has the role of a shop girl in a department store, whose desire for beautiful clothes and a so-called good time leads her into free and easy contact with so many men that her reputation is tarnished. She learns that the

U.S. PACIFIC LINES.**SHIPPING BOARD ORDERS SALE.**

Washington, Nov. 29. Accepting the recommendations of its sub-committee, the Shipping Board today ordered the sale of its three Pacific lines under two methods of bidding.

Under one form of bidding the lines will be offered for 25 per cent. cash and the balance in 10 equal annual installments, with the present routes to be maintained for five years. The other plan calls for an initial payment of 10 per cent. and the balance in 10 or 15 annual payments, with the lines to be maintained for at least three years. The best bid will be accepted irrespective of whether it is under one or the other plan.

The lines to be sold are the American, Australian and Orient, the Oregon Oriental and the American Oriental Mail.

Among passengers returning to the Colony by s.s. Morea due here on Thursday are Mr. and Mrs. Coysah, Mr. and Mrs. Hancock, Colonel and Mrs. McLaren, Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ralston, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Ramsey, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Thompson, and Mr. T. Sheyan.

love of a good man is more precious than expensive jewellery and gorgeous furs.

Preparing for the part Gloria Swanson spent several strenuous days learning how shop girls in New York live. She worked for a day in one of New York's largest departments, rode in the subway, ate her meals in a boarding house and went through the general routine the average shop girl follows during the day.

An excellent cast surrounds Gloria. Tom Moore gives an excellent portrayal of the poor mechanic, for whom Gloria renounces all worldly pleasures.

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WORLD INDUSTRIAL UNREST.

There has been a great deal of reference in cabled news, recently, to industrial unrest in many parts of the world. Of the bigger movements, only, is special notice required, for the present, but the evidence all points to restlessness on the part of workers, and the accumulation of problems for captains of industry to face in the not distant future. Apart, from the Far Eastern outlook—such as the strike fever at Shanghai—which is almost entirely the work of revolutionary agitators, there is growing uncertainty about the labour situation in western countries. Britain wears an aspect of industrial peace on the surface, but it is becoming obvious that serious under-currents exist which will sooner or later seek an outlet, and the movement by employers towards a better understanding between masters and men is designed to avert this break. The coal mining industry is in a bad way, and there is nothing to prove that the promises of the optimists, that the year would see a remedy, for the menace of continued unemployment, are likely to bear fruit. In certain directions, there is undoubtedly an improvement in the outlook, and some branches of industry in Britain have revived sufficiently to give rise to the hope that the bottom of the depression has been reached and passed. Yet, while the coal miners are experiencing a severe slump, and the miners are getting restless, it cannot be said that the million and more unemployed in the country do not constitute a constant reminder of what looks like becoming a permanent incubus, and a recurring tax on the exchequer. But until the new year dawns, it is perhaps premature to attempt an assessment of the general outlook so far as Britain is concerned.

The Kuomintang. Messages from Shanghai show that the preliminary conference of Kuomintang officials found it extremely difficult even to come to agreement regarding the matter to be dealt with by the Conference proper when, if ever, it assembles. This fact is due to what is evidently a very serious split in the Party, for the opposing elements have already come to grips on what, after all, appear rather trivial points. What will happen when it comes to discussing really vital matters may well be left to the imagination. The Left and the Right wings of the Party are now further apart than they have ever been, and, where so many personal ambitions are at stake, it is hard to see how there can be any hopes of future solidarity. In the days when the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen was alive, and when the Party's influence was largely centred in the South, the Kuomintang was a more or less unified body, in which Party discipline was enforced and respected. Latterly, with the attempt to carry Party ideals into other parts of the country, there has made itself manifest a distinct rift amongst the leading officials, so that today the Party is all at sixes and sevens. This outcome would appear to have been an inevitable consequence of the death of Dr. Sun and the lack of some outstanding personality to take his place. The trouble with the Party now is that it has too many would-be masters. Further complications have been added from the fact that the Party headquarters have moved from the South, and it has become obvious that the effort to make the Kuomintang a National Party in more than name has utterly failed. Maybe this is all to the good of the country. Be that as it may, the fact remains that the Kuomintang is losing in power and influence as the result of the sharp divisions which have made themselves apparent in recent times.

If we glance abroad, there are three big issues in industrial unrest which claim the attention. One hears very little, ordinarily, about strikes in America; but there has been a serious upheaval in progress for some weeks in the Colorado mining belt. It was only when some of the miners actually rioted the other day, and were shot down by police, and troops were called out to maintain

order under martial law, that mention was made of the original trouble. That is one way of suppressing menacing industrial agitation,—the use of the iron hand—and in this we see the necessity for firmness at times. Yet one can be permitted to query whether there will be any good in throttling unrest, of whatever nature, when it only lies dormant, ready to boil up at a convenient moment. The case of the Australian waterside workers takes us to the opposite extreme,

where men are given so free a hand in the conduct of strikes that they do things which would hardly be tolerated elsewhere. In the case of the waterside strikers, who are causing considerable damage through their holding up of shipping and commerce in general, the men have gone back on an arbitration award. It is apparently a way of getting the unsatisfactory decision of an arbitration body (from the men's point of view), set aside by degrees, through continuous agitation. It is also a means of doing much damage to the country. But that is a phase of its labour situation which Australia knows all about, owing to its frequency of occurrence. The latest reference to industrial unrest comes from Germany, where the workers are insisting on an eight-hour day, as decreed by statute, and also higher wages. The iron and steel industries, the ones affected, see the necessity for an increase of prices, and consequent loss of very important world markets, if these demands are to be satisfied; and this having been pointed out, a satisfactory arrangement with the men is expected. It seems as if the German workers are still sufficiently conscious of the need for a big national effort to promote commerce, to repair the losses of the war, as to accede to such appeals to his reason; but the time must come when postponed requests are translated into insistent demands, and strikes.

It seems another instance of the vicious cycle of unrest in industrial realms—higher charges, greater living costs, and then more demands for higher wages. Meanwhile, truces are patched up, and the capitalists breathe a sigh of relief at having staved off another serious threat to industrial harmony; though they are all the time no nearer finding a satisfactory remedy.

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DAY BY DAY.

HE WHO IS MOST SLOW IN MAKING A PROMISE, IS THE MOST FAITHFUL IN THE PERFORMANCE OF IT.—Rousseau.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

The Ben Line s.s. Bendoran, from Home and Straits ports, is due here on the 12th instant.

H.M.S. Castor arrived from England this morning, with relief ranks and ratings for the China Squadron.

A Chinese woman jumped overboard from the lower deck of the Golden Star while in midstream, at 4.30 yesterday afternoon. The would-be suicide was rescued and subsequently removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

In an alteration with another man, a shop-foki at No. 102, Des Voeux Road west was, yesterday, injured in the right wrist, through a cut inflicted with a chopper wielded by the other man. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital.

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HELPING THE BLIND GIRLS.

SALE OF WORK FOR KOWLOON HOME.

There was a first-class array of articles for purchase at the annual sale of work, held at the Helena May Institute this morning, on behalf of the Blind Home, Kowloon City Road, Kowloon. The event was organised by Miss K. Beswick, Superintendent of the Home, assisted by Mrs. J. R. Wood, and Mrs. W. T. Featherstone, Hon. Sec. of the Cathedral Women's Guild and promises in every way to be a success.

The sale was declared open this morning by Mrs. J. R. Wood, who remarked on the fact that the work was carried on in a beautiful home situated on the top of a hill on the way to Kowloon City, and housed 51 blind girls whose ages ranged from 16 to 19 years. Miss Beswick, continued Mrs. Wood, is the only European in the Home and she has two Chinese assistants, one of whom coaches the girls in knitting while the other is the Matron. Most of the girls worked at knitting, but those who were not able to knit did the house work. They could set for themselves, if they glanced at the numerous articles laid out for purchase, the wonderful work the girls did.

Miss Beswick emphasised that by their own knitting they supported themselves and were able to meet two-thirds of the expense of their support, which she thought, was very creditable. They did not live on charity and Mrs. Wood expressed the opinion that it was up to their supporters to back the girls up by buying the goods.

Continuing, she said at the Home when there was a water shortage and she saw two of the girls walking down a path carrying water. They were laughing and quite happy. They were absolutely footsore and showed no signs of stumbling. "It was really wonderful to see them," she added.

Referring to the sale, Mrs. Wood said that buyers would find that the patterns and designs this year were even better than last year, but if anyone found anything they wanted to buy but did not like the colour, style, or if it did not fit, if they approached Miss Beswick she would get articles made to order.

In conclusion Mrs. Wood appealed for help with regard to ideas. Miss Beswick, she said, would be glad to hear from anybody who had ideas with regard to patterns and colours, as such assistance would help the sale of the goods.

The Rev. H. Copley Moyle then said a prayer.

The sale will be open until six o'clock this evening, and those who are able to go should make a point of securing some of the real bargains that are being offered at very reasonable prices. On the stalls are laid out socks, shawls, jersey suits, cardigans, jumpers, complete outfits of babies' clothes, dressed dolls, tennis nets and hearth rugs. These latter are a new departure and there are a number of excellent rugs in pleasing colours going cheap. It is to be noted that all the goods are made by the blind girls themselves.

Ladies assisting at the stalls are Mesdames Jackman, Goldsmith, Murray, Pope, Hynes, Featherstone, Hayley Bell, Redmond, Wood, Austin, de Rome, Shellshear, Jackson, Nisbet, Hopper, Loseby, Brindley, and Carothers.

Tea can be obtained at a small cost, the arrangements being under the direction of Mrs. Grimes, Mrs. Jackman, and Mrs. Wright.

A "SCOUNDREL."

MAGISTRATE'S REPROOF TO THIEF.

Giving evidence at the Central Police Court this morning in a case in which he charged his second house-boy with the theft of a one-dollar note, Mr. A. M. Thornhill, Manager of the Soldiers' Club at Queen's Road East, said that, having previously missed large sums of money, he decided to lay a trap.

Before going into the bathroom in his quarters above the Club yesterday, he noted the numbers on five one-dollar bills and left these in the pocket of his trousers, in the bedroom. On returning, few minutes later, he found that one of the notes had disappeared, and immediately went to the kitchen, where he searched the "boy" and found the missing note in his breast-pocket.

The accused, replying to Mr. E. Lindsell, said that the note in question was handed to him by Mr. Thornhill's daughter with the request that it be changed for her. Other questions by the Bench elicited contradictory replies, and in the end his Worship ejaculated: "Miserable scoundrel."

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Some remarkably fine exhibits of cotton grown in the New Territories and excellent specimen containers of wood oil, will be among the features of much more than ordinary interest at the Agricultural Show to be opened at Sheung Shui to-morrow. It is the first show of the kind ever held in the New Territories, and though the primary aim of the organisers is the instructional value from the point of view of the farmers, the general visitor will find much to attract.

Particularly interesting should be the exhibition of vegetables. Over 200 entries have been received from farmers in every district of the New Territories, the quality being such as to encourage further development of the Colony's resources. While Shatin rice will probably carry off the honours in the rice section, there are many excellent quality exhibits.

In the live-stock section fowls of American and English strain are represented, amateurs being well to the fore, while the Poultry Specialty Company are presenting a particularly fine collection. A Scandinavian Landrace sow directly imported by the H. A. Rodgers, and a Yorkshire sow with litter, owned by Mr. Leo D'Almada Castro, will be a special feature of the pig classes, though they are not for competition.

Modern Methods.

Farming methods on modern lines will be demonstrated by the local agents of the Fordson tractor on a plot of land granted for the purpose, and of further educational value to the farmers will be the films to be exhibited by the good offices of Mr. H. W. Ray, of the Hongkong Amusements. The films include an exhibition of scientific poultry-farming methods, and agricultural development on modern lines with modern implements.

One or two comedies will be interspersed in order to avoid monotony, but in addition there will be films provided by Messrs. Brunner Mond and Co., of considerable agricultural interest.

It may be of importance to intending visitors to note that railway accommodation for over 300 schoolchildren has been applied for up to the present, but the K.C.R. is making special efforts to cope with the increased traffic.

Special prizes have been offered for competition by H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi K.C.M.G.) and the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

H.E. The Governor will perform the opening ceremony at 2.30 p.m.

RUBBER AND TIN.

DIVIDENDS AND SHARE PRICES.

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have been advised of the following dividends and quotations on rubber and mining shares:

Quotations.

Allens	\$3.00
Ayer Moleks	2.40
Glenelgs	3.00
Jinahs	2.75
Kedahs	4.20
Malaka Pindas	2.55
Pajams	2.80

Dividends

Kuala Sijims, 5% 2nd. Int.
Batu Bintang, 7½% Final.
Lahat Mines, 5%
London Asiatic 10% Int.
Chimpal, 10 Final.
Singapore United, 7½% Final.
(15% in all.)

ANOTHER COMITADJI OUTRAGE.

BOMBS AND BULLETS IN THE BALKANS.

Brigade, Dec. 5. One woman and one child were killed, and several civilians and police were wounded, in an outrage by comitadji at Strumica yesterday evening, when a bomb exploded in front of a hotel in the centre of the town.

The comitadji then poured bullets into the fleeing passers-by.

A police patrol hurried up, and the comitadji bolted, but ran into the arms of another patrol, and when their capture appeared inevitable, the comitadji flung another bomb, severely wounding the officer in charge, and two gendarmes. After this the miscreants escaped in the fog and darkness.—Reuter.

Lost in the retreat from Mons, the drum of the 2nd Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders has been returned by Herr Elise, of Hamburg, who, on seeing the "Mons" film in London, decided to hand it back to the battalion.

LOCAL MOTORISTS IN COURT.

THIS MORNING'S BATCH OF SUMMONSES.

POLICE OFFICER'S ESCAPE.

The weekly summonses against traffic offenders were heard this morning before Major C. Wilson. Mr. C. Chon, owner of car No. 1858, was summoned for negligent driving on November 28th in Robinson Road. Defendant pleaded guilty.

Sergeant Saunders, prosecuting, said that at 9.40 a.m. he was walking along Robinson Road with his wife. Near Mosque Junction they heard the sound of a car coming from a westerly direction and the Sergeant could judge by the sound that the machine was being driven at a terrific pace. He told his wife to jump for the footpath and did the same himself. A couple of seconds later, a two-seater Fiat "screamed" past them. The car came within a yard of the footpath and the Sergeant added that had he not jumped out of the way in time, he and his wife would have been killed; as there was no chance of escaping.

A fine of \$10 was imposed.

Motor Cyclist Fined.

Mr. A. Brailsford, of the P.W.D., was summoned for dangerously driving his motor cycle on November 25th.

Sergeant Baker, prosecuting, said the defendant drove at a speed of thirty miles per hour between Stubbs Road and Arsenal Street, and at 25 miles per hour between Arsenal Street and Murray Barracks. When the witness stopped defendant, the latter apologised and said he was sorry.

Major Wilson imposed a penalty of \$10.

Chauffeur Fined.

The chauffeur of public car No. 382 was summoned for speeding in Aberdeen on November 24th. Sergeant Hopkins stated that he observed the defendant driving at 23 to 24 miles per hour. Witness was with the Flying Squad at the time and saw defendant enter the control area at Aberdeen, without reducing his speed.

His Worship fined the defendant \$15.

Inspector's Escape.

On Saturday November 24th, when special traffic control was in operation at Happy Valley, owing to the Extra Race Meeting, Inspector Alexander had a narrow escape from serious injuries.

He was driving a motor cycle combination with Inspector MacDonald of the No. 2 Police Station, in the side car, when, at the junction of Tin Lok Lane and Wan Chai Road, motor car No. 189 came tearing round the corner on the wrong side of the road. The Inspector's presence of mind only averted a crash. He promptly drove into the side channel and as the driver of car No. 189 passed him, he looked back to see if the Inspector was all right.

Summoned before Major Wilson this morning, the chauffeur of car No. 189 pleaded guilty and was fined \$20. His record showed that he had been fined on four previous occasions this year.

Another chauffeur was summoned for driving at thirty miles an hour in Wong Nai Chung Road on November 26th, the rare day. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$15.

U.S. MAIRS INCREASE IN VOLUME.

OVERSEAS CARRIAGE BY AIR CONSIDERED.

Washington, Dec. 5. The Postmaster General in his annual report asks for authority to make four-year contracts for the transportation of mails overseas.

He says that his department is ready to inaugurate such a service immediately overseas air transportation has been demonstrated as practicable and safe. He does not indicate whether the contracts would be restricted to American aviation enterprise.

The report shows that over G.\$712,000,000 was expended on the American postal service last year. The receipts exceeded G.\$683,000,000, the deficit being G.\$30,000,000 less than the previous year.

The parcel post packages to foreign countries increased by nearly 11 per cent. in the total weight, which was over 43,000,000 lbs.

The foreign mails increased by nearly 10 per cent. with American ships carrying 62 per cent.

Efforts are being made to extend the privilege of the special delivery service to foreign countries, 29 of which are at present receiving articles by means of this service.—Reuter's American Service.

SHANGHAI FIRE.

BIGGEST BLAZE OF RECENT YEARS.

TLS. 3,000,000 DAMAGE.

The largest Shanghai fire in recent years, the conflagration involving the greatest loss since the fire in North Soochow Road, broke out on Thursday evening in the Chang Foon Mill, 4 Ichang Road, and completely gutted the two largest building, one of which is quite modern, destroyed a smaller building, burned several piles of grain and involved the greater majority of the company's property.

When the first word was received of the fire, bubbling Well and Sinza Divisions of the Shanghai Fire Brigade turned out in full strength, but it was seen, however, that they had no chance and a general alarm, which brought out every reusable machine and man, was given.

The mill was at some distance from the main fire hydrant and long lines of hose had to be run before an effective jet could be maintained. Other engines put their suction nozzles into an adjacent creek and augmented the supply. The full strength of more than half a dozen engines could do nothing to impede the progress of the flames.

Was it An Explosion?

Two of the main buildings in the compound are adjoining each other and are set at right angles to the newest unit of the plant. Between them were several large huts filled with grain, while on the opposite side of the large building and, away from the seat of the fire were 28,000 bags of grain. The fire started in what is called the Number One mill. Just what happened is unknown but a fairly authentic report has it that the engineers were starting the machinery. The theory is advanced, that electric sparks exploded some of the inflammable dust which is always in the air in a mill.

Within a few minutes, the building was a roaring mass of flame. The wooden chutes used in transporting grain and flour, and the wooden elevators provided an excellent draught and the flames shot from floor to floor without impediment. Fortunately for the management, two police officers, who got inside the small two-storeyed cleaning mill, beside the one in which the fire started, closed a fire safety door, and although blazing embers were banked against it man high, the door withstood all fire and prevented the smaller building from burning. Strange, too, although the one side of the door had an unbearable temperature, the other side was cool to the touch.

The flames from this building shot to a smaller building on the right and, within a few minutes, it was a mass of flame. The heat was terrific and, within a few minutes, the flames had eaten through the roof. Broken windows below, and the open roof above, made a tremendous forced draught and, almost in shorter time than it takes to tell, there was fire in every portion of the building. The firemen worked their way to lower structures on the sides and, although using the strongest jets available, which they poured in from these points of vantage, they were able to produce no effect whatsoever upon the flames. The third floor, upon which the fire started, soon gave way, then the next one above and, finally, about nine o'clock, the roof crashed in with a roar which was heard throughout the neighbourhood. A shower of sparks went up which threatened to set the adjoining house on fire, but vigilance on the part of volunteer firemen and Chinese who had not lost their heads prevented this. About 20 minutes later, the side wall and one of the end walls crashed in and, for the moment the firemen were handicapped, because their position became untenable. They had to desert the building on the windward side which they had used, despite the tremendous heat.

With the crash of this building, burning embers flew on to the piles of grain below and the added heat smashed the modern wire windows of the unit adjacent. Flames leaped across and the brigade then was confronted with a still worse situation.

The Council then adjourned until December 6.—Reuter.

SALTS FROM THE DEAD SEA.

MORE QUERIES IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

A FRONTIER INVOLVED.

London, Dec. 5. Questions were again asked in the House of Commons regarding concessions for the Dead Sea minerals.

Mr. W. Ormsby Gore said that negotiations were proceeding on behalf of the Palestinian and Trans-Jordanian Governments with "demanding money with menaces from hawkers in Cross Street on November 28. Mr. D. Owen prosecuted for the hawkers, and Mr. Leo D'Almada defended. Detective Sergt. MacTernan was present for the police.

The question of possible relations with the German monopoly would be borne in mind. He would like to point out that there had been so much exaggeration as to the deposits, that he must enter a word of caution with regard to them. They were not only potash. In regard to the position of the Trans-Jordanian Government in the matter, Mr. Ormsby Gore said the Trans-Jordanian Government was a government of a mandatory territory, and its life had to be preserved. He understood the frontier was between Palestine and Trans-Jordan ran somewhere down the middle of the Dead Sea.

Asked whether negotiations for the concession had been undertaken with Mr. Novomeysky and Major Tullock, Mr. Ormsby Gore replied that negotiations were proceeding with these gentlemen jointly. Mr. Novomeysky was an engineer with local experience, and also with experience in the separation of mineral salts by evaporation. He had for some time past been carrying out experiments on the shores of the Dead Sea.—British Wireless.

This was granted, Mr. Lindsell remarking that Mr. D'Almada had an overwhelming case to answer.

ATTEMPT TO EXTORT MONEY.

SANITARY DEPARTMENT COOLIES SENTENCED.

THREAT OF JEYES FLUID.

A coolie employed by the Sanitary Department was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy this morning, with "demanding money with menaces from hawkers in Cross Street on November 28. Mr. D. Owen prosecuted for the hawkers, and Mr. Leo D'Almada defended. Detective Sergt. MacTernan was present for the police.

From the evidence, it appears that the stalls are located under verandahs and it is alleged the defendant approached about 60 stall holders and demanded 10 cents from each, threatening that otherwise, when the houses were cleaned by the Sanitary Department the next day, their stalls would be swamped with Jeyes fluid, and water. Some of the hawkers paid up.

When a number of witnesses had been called, Mr. D'Almada said he had just been informed of a book in possession of the prosecution containing the numbers of the stalls. His defence had been that there were no menaces, but in view of that book he asked for an adjournment of a few minutes to consult the defendant with the object of bringing in a different plea.

This was granted, Mr. Lindsell remarking that Mr. D'Almada had an overwhelming case to answer.

An Admission.

When the court resumed, Mr. D'Almada said the defendant now admitted quite frankly that he did ask for the money, but explained that it was done at the request of other sanitary coolies. It had been proved in evidence that the money went to the other coolies and not to the defendant, added Mr. D'Almada. The defendant had said that the occurrence was not uncommon, and he had been told that he was perfectly justified in asking for the money. He now, however, realised that it was not a correct thing to do. Counsel asked the Magistrate to take into consideration the working of the Chinese mind, saying that there were no menaces.

Mr. Lindsell remarked that the evidence showed distinctly that there were menaces. Quoting from the evidence he said, "Jeyes fluid, poured over your stall, and the hose turned on you."

Mr. D'Almada said all the defendant had told the stall holders was that no extra precaution would be taken unless they paid their ten cents, but the hawkers might have taken it in a different way. The defendant had been employed in the service since the strike, and nothing was known against him. If he had not been a Government servant he would not have been charged with the offence. He asked Mr. Lindsell to consider the option of a fine.

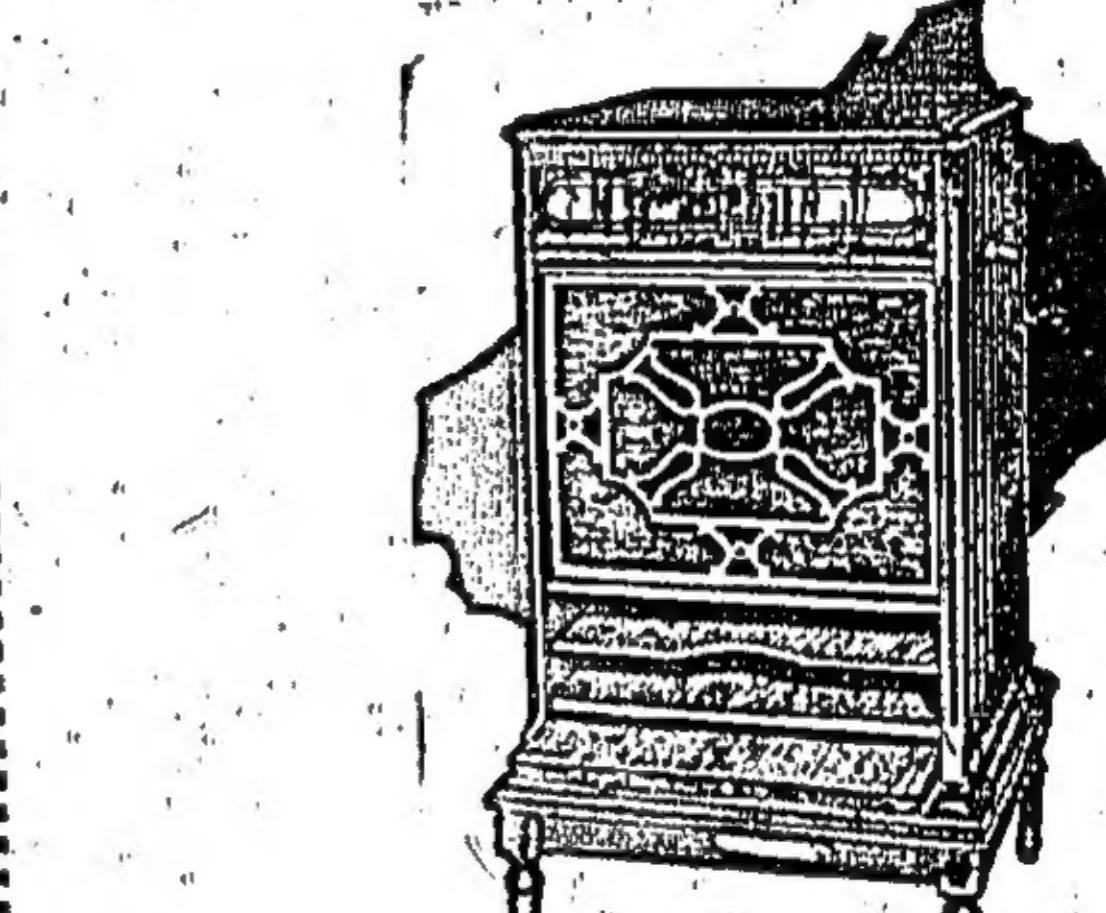
The defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

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THE WORLD OF SPORT:



CRICKET NOTES.

[By "Looker On"]

A week ago to-day, the cricket dinner in honour of the visiting Interport teams was held at the Hongkong Club. It was a most enjoyable function, some of the speeches being very interesting and the musical and variety entertainment being of a very high order. That same evening and the following morning the two teams left for their respective homes, with the best wishes of all the cricket-loving public in the Colony.

As regards the criticisms passed at the dinner, by the Hongkong Captain, during his speech, on remarks in the Press concerning certain members of his team, I must say I entirely agree with what I read in a morning contemporary a days ago. If the Hongkong Captain was unable to produce any sounder reasons for the inclusion of certain men in our team against Malaya, I cannot help thinking that he would have done better to have made no reference at all to Press comments. Most of those who follow cricket in this Colony know what he said, so that I do not propose to make more than this passing reference. To say the least of it the reasons for the inclusion of those referred to were very weak.

And now a few final criticisms on our Selection Committee. In my notes some time ago, before the Interport matches, I said that three members should suffice. I also said that the leading Clubs in the Colony should be represented and that no-one who would be fighting for his place in the team should, unless absolutely necessary, be on it. Finally, I said that these Interport teams from Shanghai and Malaya came here to play Hongkong as a Colony and not only the Hongkong Cricket Club. Various reasons have been put forward as to why the "running of the show" should be entirely in the hands of the Hongkong Cricket Club, but I still fail to see why this should be so.

So far for the future I suggest that the Selection Committee should consist of the duly appointed Captain of the side, a member of the Kowloon Cricket Club and a member of the Civil Service Cricket Club. If, by any chance, the Captain belonged to either of the last-named, then the third member should be a Hongkong C.C. man. But I am assuming, at that moment, that the Captain comes from the Hongkong C.C.

The three clubs mentioned above are the leading ones in the Colony. There seems no necessity for the Services to be represented. It is not their "show," but if by any chance one of the above three could be a Service man, as well as fulfilling the other condition, so much the better. And I consider that the three clubs mentioned above should insist upon having a say in the selection of the team for future Interport games.

There are a few other matters cricket on which comment seems necessary this week. One or two league games were played last Saturday and have been fully reported elsewhere.

The death of Mrs. Rix, wife of the Malaya Interporter, was indeed a sad affair, and he has our deepest sympathy in his heavy bereavement.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 18 arrivals and 19 departures, of which five and seven respectively were British, leaving 63 vessels in harbour, British 28. Tonnage was high, but cargoes were not correspondingly so and although British vessels made the best inward registries, the through figures by nationality were below the 1,000-ton mark, by two ships.

Lord Dunedin and Lord Shaw, both Scotsmen, were involved in an imaginary money transaction during the hearing of an insurance appeal case in the House of Lords.

Putting a point raised in an argument in a simple manner, Lord Dunedin said: "Suppose I owed Lord Shaw £1 and I called at his house, and, he being out, I said to his butler: You owe me £1. Here are £5. You pay Lord Shaw £1." Would Lord Shaw afterwards be able to sue me for the £5?" Lord Shaw replied, amid laughter: "I should be content to get the £5."

OUR FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

PRIZE OF \$50 WEEKLY.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English Cup matches (to be played on Saturday next, December 10th) set out in the Coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided.

The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the "Telegraph" during the weeks August 29—September 24.

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH FORECAST COMPETITION.

Matches to be played on December 10th:

ENGLAND CUP.

Bradford City v	Rotherham U.
Crewes v	Stockport.
Darlington v	Rochdale.
Tranmere R. v	Halifax T.
New Brighton v	Rhyl.
Bournemouth v	Bristol R.
Gillingham v	Southend U.
Luton v	Norwich C.
Swindon v	Crystal Palace.
Peterborough v	Aldershot T.
Northampton v	Brighton.
London Caledonians v	Bath C.

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THE TAIKOO BOWLING GREEN SEASON.

SATURDAY'S PRIZE GIVING FUNCTION.

The official closing and distribution of prizes of the Taikoo Club Bowling Green for this season will take place on Saturday, 17th inst., at 3 p.m.

HOME FOOTBALL.

THIRD DIVISION MATCH.

London, Dec. 5.
In the Third Division (South) of the English League, Brentford, playing at Home, defeated Walsall by three goals to two.—Reuters.

INFLUX OF CHINESE BANISHEES.

SEVEN ARRESTED SINCE YESTERDAY.

There has been a great influx of banishees returning to the Colony during the past two days. Since yesterday no fewer than seven arrests have been made of Chinese coming back to Hongkong before the completion of their terms of deportation.

A young Chinese who was arrested on a charge of picking the pocket of a compatriot was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with larceny from the person and with returning from banishment.

Owing to the absence of the complainant, the first charge was withdrawn.

In reply to the count of returning from banishment, the defendant said that when he was deported he was not told the length of time he was to stay away from the Colony.

Sub-Inspector Vincent informed his Worship that all persons being banished were supplied with a duplicate copy of the warrant written in both English and Chinese. The warrant was also explained to them by an interpreter. They often, added the inspector, destroyed the warrant after they were banished.

It was mentioned that the defendant was the seventh person who had been arrested under the Deportation Ordinance since yesterday morning.

His Worship passed sentence of nine months' hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch.

When charged with returning from banishment yesterday, a Chinese denied the charge and this morning Sub-Inspector Vincent gave evidence proving that the defendant's finger prints were identical with those of the warrant under which he had been banished for five years in August last. He was sentenced to one month's hard labour for theft on September 12, 1927.

In his written statement to the police, the defendant was said to have admitted the charge, but, when questioned by the Magistrate this morning, he denied making that statement, saying that he was instructed to sign his name to the characters which the interpreter had written. He himself could not read and merely copied his name from a piece of paper on which it had been written by the interpreter.

After the interpreter had given evidence proving that the statement was made voluntarily by the defendant, his Worship imposed sentence of nine months' hard labour and twenty strokes of the birch.

IRAK DESIRE TO JOIN THE LEAGUE.

AN ARRANGEMENT WITH BRITAIN.

London, Dec. 5.
Mr. W. Ormsby Gore, the Under Secretary for the Colonies, was asked in the House of Commons whether negotiations between the British and Irak Governments, on the question of Irak applying for membership of the League of Nations, were now terminated.

He replied that discussions which had been taking place with the King of Irak in London, had been carried to a point at which satisfactory accord had been reached.

The Premier of Irak, who had had to leave London some days ago, was now on his way back, and it was hoped that as soon as he returned, an agreement would be signed. Pending the signature, he could not furnish detailed information regarding the arrangement.—British Wireless.

POPPY DAY.

HONGKONG'S EXCELLENT EFFORT.

The "Poppy Day" Sub-Committee of the Hongkong branch of the British Legion has remitted by T/T to the Central Headquarters in London the sum of £1,750 (=\$17,016.16) on account, as part result of the local drive made on Armistice Day.

This does not represent the total collection as a few amounts are still outstanding and it is hoped that a further remittance of about £150 will be despatched shortly.

When this has been done, a detailed statement will be issued.

PASSENGER RETURNS.

LAST MONTH'S LOCAL FIGURES.

The official return of passengers arriving and departing for the month of November was issued yesterday by the Harbour Department, showing preponderance of departures, amounting to nearly 4,000. Following are the figures:

Ocean-Going Steamers	52,805	52,229
River Steamers	96,506	100,039
Junks and		
Launches	9,537	9,080
Total	158,847	162,384



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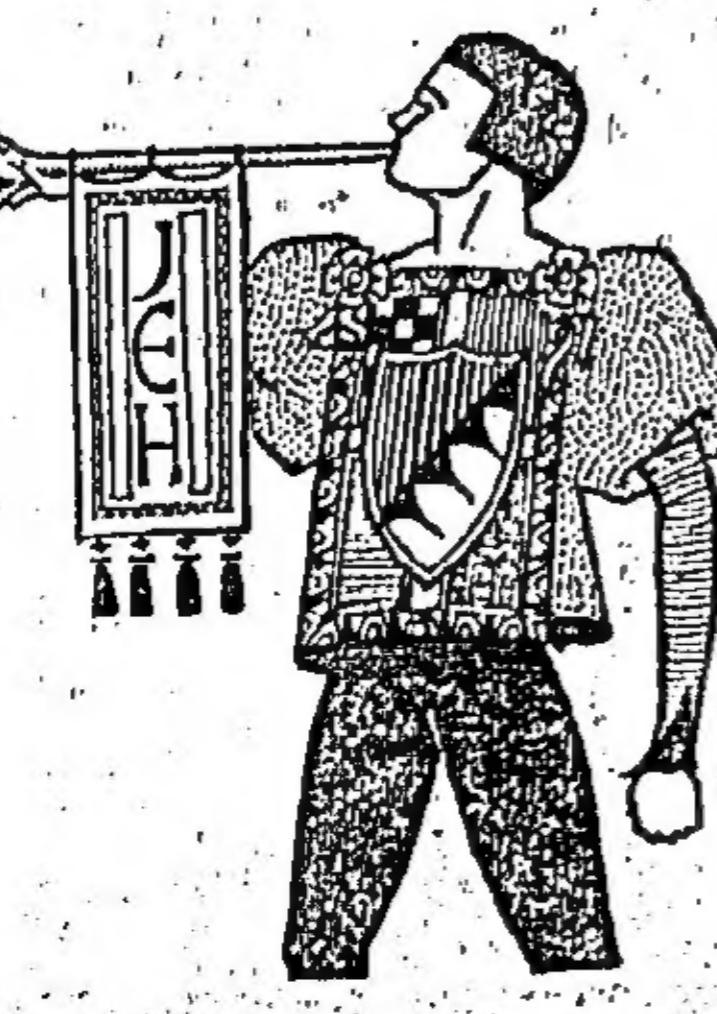
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MERRIE ENGLAND.

SPECTACULAR TREAT ON FRIDAY.

In view of the forthcoming production, by The Hongkong Philharmonic Society, of "Merrie England" next Friday, following critique, culled from the Times of 3rd April, 1902, may be of interest to music-lovers.

Savoy Theatre.

"Merrie England," by the latest couple of Savoyards, Capt. Basil Hood and Mr. Edward German, was produced last night with a success and received, both in detail and as a whole, with a warmth of enthusiasm which could not but remind the "old guard" of the scenes of the first night of many an one of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas.

Opera comique it certainly is in many—nay, most—of the essentials, though it comes dangerously near in relationship to that hybrid form known at present in England as "comic opera." Indeed, on its title page it is so described; but in spite of this we prefer to regard it as belonging to the former category, which, it need hardly be said, is a very different thing from present day comic opera. The relationship hinted at is literary rather than musical—the music, one may at once explain, is pure opera comique, and that of a very high order.—Not even Mr. Gilbert himself has succeeded more neatly in the "Paronomasia" play "pon words" than Captain Hood.

Technically there is abundance in common between the systems of both librettists. But, whereas Mr. Gilbert wove the intricate web of his quips and cranks round at least the thread of a definite story, Captain Hood presents a series of pictures, very pretty and lively pictures—which, the intimately connected with each other, have together no very intimate connexion with anything in particular, beyond what is naturally inferred from describing England as "merry" and sundry references to Robin Hood and Maid Marion.

The Dance.

In choosing the period of Good Queen Bess, of Raleigh and of Essex, the days associated in country life for some reason or other (perhaps for no reason) with the May Queen and the morris dance, Captain Hood has been well-advised, as his codirector was to be Mr. Edward German, past master in the art of morris and other dances.

Indeed, the *leit motiv* of the opera is the dance. There is no getting away from it. Nor would one wish to do so, since, save for a slight tinge of monotony engendered by the too-frequent use of the same rhythm, Mr. Edward German has given of his best, and we all know how delightful his best is, and Captain Hood himself seems to revel in the period.

While making his Queen Elizabeth, Raleigh and Essex a dignified trio, he has succeeded in preventing them from becoming boring or detracting from the lightness and delicacy of the general scheme. He has created in Walter Wilkins and Silas Sinkins, players in Shakespeare's company, a pair of highly diverting mummery. The former's "Alphabet," and his ingenuity in escaping from sundry awkward positions, his remarkable "fish" song,—one of the cleverest of its kind heard for many a day,—and a score of witty passages will all add to the gaiety of, at any rate, this nation.

"Very High Indeed."

Captain Hood has furnished plenty of opportunity for all of the principals, and Mr. German's score abundantly proves that on him has fallen the mantle of Sullivan. It may be argued that the rather strong suggestion of "Peer Gynt" in Bessie's pretty ballad, "She had a letter," or of "Hansel and Gretel" Jill's "Cat, Cat, where have you been," so prettily sung under the shade of Herne's Oak prove that Mr. German has not yet found himself.

But, against this may be cited the extreme ability and naturalness shown in the well-managed rhythm of Raleigh's song "That every Jack," with its chorus—a chorus that attains almost to greatness—in the whole of the ensembles, and in the brilliancy, delicacy and piquancy of the orchestration.

Among orchestral scores of recent years we should class Mr. German's "Very High Indeed"; but in invention he is best in the lyrical numbers, though exceptional praise is due to the quartet "In England, Merrie England," and to the many pretty and always effective dances. His music, of one except the march played on the entrance of Queen Elizabeth, is quite free from commonplace, and a credit alike to him and to the English school.

Last night's success encourages the hope that a new spell of well-deserved prosperity is in store for the Savoy, so admirable is Mr. German's—and Captain Hood's work; so sincere an attempt to rise above the conventional level.

The Present Production.

With regard to the present production it can fairly be said that

AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

PROGRAMME FOR THE OPENING DAY TO-MORROW.

The Committee has issued the programme for the opening day of the Agricultural Show, which will take place to-morrow, at 2.30 p.m. The Show will be continued on Thursday.

Judging will commence at 10.30 a.m. on the first day and is expected to be concluded by 12 o'clock (noon), when the grounds will be open to the public.

His Excellency the Governor, who will perform the opening ceremony, accompanied by his A.D.C., Capt. A. J. L. Whyte, and Mr. B. R. Forster, private secretary, will arrive at the exhibition ground at 2.30 p.m. Sir Cecil Clementi and party will be received at the entrance by the Chairman of the Committee (Rev. H. R. Wells, O.B.E.), Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin and Mr. Fung Kel-chuk, representing the reception committee. The members of the general committee, among whom there are a large number of the village elders from every district in the New Territories, will then be introduced to His Excellency. Following the introduction, the Governor will be conducted to a platform in front of the exhibition building. The formal part of the proceedings will commence with a speech by the Rev. Wells, to which His Excellency will reply.

There will be a distribution of the Certificates of Honour to all who will participate in the Show.

The Governor will then be conducted over the grounds for inspection of the exhibits which will be staged according to the classification in the respective sheds, of which there are five.

Among the exhibits not for competition there has been entered a directly imported Scandinavian Landrace Sow and fowls of American and English strain. Among the attractions of the exhibition will be a continuous cinema entertainment, for which the committee are indebted to the courtesy of Mr. H. W. Ray, general manager of the Hongkong Amusements Syndicate, Ltd.

Tea and refreshments will be served on the ground throughout the afternoon by the management of the Cafe Pavilion at prices slightly above those in the city to cover transportation expenses, etc.

As will be seen from the advertisement columns, the Railway management has made a substantial reduction on the ordinary fares for the return journey to and from Sheung Shui. Visitors travelling by the 1.15 p.m. train from Kowloon will arrive at Sheung Shui in time for the opening ceremony. Return trains will leave Sheung Shui half at 4.45 p.m. and 5.56 p.m. for Kowloon, the latter is the last train. Sailors and soldiers in uniform and school children will be admitted to the show free.

OBITUARY.

A POPULAR REVUE ACTRESS.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The death, following an operation, is reported of Miss Lee White, the revue actress who toured the Dominions with Mr. Clay Smith after a series of successes in London.—*Reuter's American Service*.

neither trouble nor expense have been spared in order to give an operatic and spectacular treat that has never been equalled in the Colony. The full strength of the cast, chorus and orchestra exceeds 120, and, under the able baton of Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, of the K.O.S.B. Band, the theatre-going and music-loving public may be assured of an evening well to be remembered.

It should be noted that owing to the length of the opera it has been decided to commence at 9 p.m. sharp, and as the introduction to the opera is short, and continues into the first chorus without any pause, it behoves patrons to be in their seats before that time.

Mention must also be made of the programme, which as usual with the Society, has special features including two pages of photographs, thus making it a souvenir well worth taking away with one, and in addition, as is the usual custom of the Society, it is given away.

Parents are reminded that children are admitted at half price to the matinee on Wednesday, December 14.

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CHAPTER XIV.

It was not difficult to believe her husband's romantic account of how he came to fall in love her. She did not appear to be more than twenty-five. Her face was almost angelic, save for the lips and chin, which were too sensuous for heavenly love. In the dusk her eyes seemed violet. She had used an invalid's privilege to let her long, dark hair stray unbound down the pillows; nevertheless, each curl was arranged with a grace that suggested something more, than accident in the display. A jacket of pale yellow silk completed the picture of languishing charm.

"Dr. Tarleton, I must speak to you!" His excitement was such that the doctor nearly dropped his precious plaything. "Montacute's disappearance is in all the papers!"

"There will be more in the evening papers," Tarleton said sternly.

"The body has been found and identified at Chiswick."

"Ah! I might have known that!" The confession seemed to escape him unawares.

Tarleton's manner increased in sternness.

"I see I was right in thinking you had a hand in the business. You had better be frank with me, Captain."

But the young officer did not seem at all taken aback.

"I'll be as frank as you like, if you will only deal with me fairly, doctor. Someone has been speaking to Rosa. Was it you?"

"I don't quite understand. I asked Lady Rosa a few questions about Montacute, but I have told her nothing."

"You haven't said anything to her about the murder? Nor about the arrows in my room?"

"Not one word," the expert assured him. "Why do you ask?"

"Because there's a change in her. She seems to avoid me. And she won't give me any explanation. She must have heard something against me from someone. It's fearful to think that she may suspect me of a crime!"

The Investigator was puzzled, and showed it in his usual fashion by sounding the repeater in his ear. All at once its tinkle seemed to enlighten him.

"Perhaps I can throw some light on the situation," he said, slowly. "On the morning when I arrived to begin this inquiry I came upon Lady Rosa downstairs at a very early hour on the very spot where the body was found. She pretended to be looking for something, but when I afterwards asked her what, she refused to explain, and showed some resentment. Is it possible that she was looking for you; and that she had seen you and Burrows removing the body?"

Captain Theobald gave a gasp of dismay. The next moment he shook his head.

"I can't think that. Surely she would have spoken to me about it yesterday. It is only to-day that I have noticed the change in her."

"It is only to-day that she has seen the news in the paper of Montacute's disappearance—hush!"

The two men ceased speaking as Tarleton pointed to the door. It was opened almost immediately by Mademoiselle. "Her Grace is ready to receive you, sir."

The woman spoke with suppressed excitement, and there was a gleam in her eyes that told the practised eye of the specialist that she had been dosing herself with some dangerous drug.

He turned to the wondering soldier. "I should like to have another chat with you, Captain. I am greatly interested in Nigeria. In the meanwhile, I should advise you to let the matter rest."

Theobald gave a nod of intelligence, and the doctor went out of the room with Pregat.

It was with keen expectation that he followed her upstairs. At last he was to see the mistress of Trafford House, the woman whose presence had made itself felt at every stage of the investigation, but who had hitherto remained invisible. Her outer defence had been broken down at last, yet he felt far from confident as to the result of the impending interview.

Mademoiselle threw open the door of the room on the second floor which he had already been informed was the bedroom of the Duchess of Altringham. A heavy scent almost stifled him as he entered, and the thickly-shrouded windows made it difficult for him to see his way among the luxurious furniture which crowded the room.

The scene had been prepared with some art. The curtains of the magnificent four-post bedstead had been drawn back just far enough to give a view of the figure reclining against the hemmed-up pillows deeply fringed with lace. The Duchess was without doubt a woman of striking beauty.

(To be Continued.)

RUSSIA'S PROPOSALS
AT GENEVA.NOT BEING TAKEN
SERIOUSLY.

London, Dec. 5. In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. G. Locker Lampson stated in reply to a question that no notice of the terms of the Soviet proposals was given before the opening of the meeting of the preparatory committee at Geneva, and the British delegation consequently left England without any instructions on the subject.

Mr. Baldwin said that the Russian proposals did not appear to be regarded by the committee as a practical or helpful contribution to the problem, and accordingly there was no advantage in discussing them in the House of Commons. The time for a discussion of the proposals would obviously be when the disarmament conference met.—Reuters.

TWO BOTTLES OF
BRANDY.CHINESE WITH FORGED
RECEIPT.

A charge of being in possession of two bottles of dutiable brandy in Austin Road was preferred against a Chinese before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The defendant admitted possession and said the liquor was brought from Macao.

Sergeant Barnicle informed his Worship that when arrested the defendant said that the brandy had been purchased from a compradore's shop and produced a receipt for same. On enquiry at the shop, it was discovered that the receipt was forged. He then said he had found the receipt.

A fine of \$20 or three weeks hard labour was imposed.

THE FUTURE OF THE
PHILIPPINES.RETORT TO SENATOR
QUEZON.

Chicago, Dec. 1. Senator Manuel Quezon, debating here to-day on the independence question with William S. Clow, Chicago business man and a member of the Chicago Foreign Relations Council, said, "For 300 years our people lived without the aid of the United States and I see no reason why we cannot live 300 years more without the protection of the United States."

Again that sharp indrawing of the breath.

"And that being your own maiden name, coupled with other reasons, makes it probable that he was related to you."

Silence. The Duchess of Altringham merely raised her eyes to the face of her listening maid.

"If that is so, I am in position to tell you what has become of him."

At last the artificial composure of the Duchess broke down. She sat up abruptly, disarranging the careful arrangement of her pillows.

"Become of him! What do you mean, doctor?"

The investigator sat back in his chair.

"You haven't answered me, ma'am. You haven't told me whether this man was a connexion of yours."

The invalid cast another glance at the lady's maid.

"Well, yes, doctor. I don't like admitting it, but he was a connexion."

"And yet you forbade him the house, I am told?"

The Duchess frowned angrily. "I had my reasons, sir, whoever told you; I wasn't proud of the connexion."

"Ah! In that case my news may not prove so distressing as I feared. Your relation has been found dead."

"Dead!" The exclamation appeared to be one of genuine surprise, not unmixed with satisfaction.

"Murdered," Tarleton went on.

"Good heavens!" This time there was no mistaking the note of horror. "How? By whom?"

"Before I can answer these questions I have to ask if you were aware that the dead man was in the habit of coming to Trafford House secretly at night, and entering by means of a latchkey given him by your maid?"

The Duchess fell back on her pillows with an appealing look towards Mademoiselle. Pregat. It was the Frenchwoman who answered.

"Her Grace knew nothing of it, sir. I am the only one to blame. I fulfil my promise to Madame by confessing that Monsieur Montacute was my lover."

(To be Continued.)

GOLD FIND IN THE
PHILIPPINES.BIG VEIN LOCATED NEAR
BAGUIO.

MINING CIRCLES EXCITED.

AMERICAN MERCHANT
MARINE.TWO PROPOSALS PUT
FORWARD.

Washington, Nov. 28. Two proposals for building up the American merchant marine were presented to President Coolidge by Senator Jones, who said that if American commerce is to be expanded the United States must provide more ships.

Senator Jones made known that he would re-introduce two bills he placed before congress last year, one to encourage private interests to build and operate ships under government subsidy and the other for the government to construct more ships and operate them. The senator said that one of the plans must be adopted, and that it was up to congress to make a choice.

President Coolidge has already indicated that he thought private capital should build the ships and that any form of government subsidy would have little chance of congressional approval.

The original claim was located on the bottom of a deep ravine, and it was while digging a trail down the mountain to facilitate transportation of supplies that the big vein was uncovered. The vein has been opened up for 50 feet and, according to various assays made, will average about \$10.00 to the ton.

Not Exaggerated.

Manila, Dec. 1.—H. W. Russell, of the Texas Oil Company, representing Manila interests of the Gold Hill Mining Association, has just returned to the city from an inspection of the development work being conducted under the supervision of H. H. Howard on the new gold strike made near Baguio recently by the latter.

Mr. Russell is highly pleased with the prospect and considers the strike, as previously reported, not in the lease exaggerated. He also states that money is available for carrying out the exploitation of the property as rapidly as possible.

A stockholder, on his return from a visit to the Balatoc Mining Company property, reports that "B" level cross cut to No. 4 ledge, although 300 feet distant from main ledge, has cut new ledge matter that shows free gold. Assay returns had not been received at the time of his departure from the mine but this new vein matter looks promising.

P. A. Gulick also reports that the Narba Mining Association has uncovered a cross lode on their property that is giving high assays. Work is progressing on the development of this new property under the supervision of S. J. Douglas, formerly of the Benguet Consolidated Mining Company.

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To which Mr. Clow replied, "For 300 years your people lived in unkempt huts at the mercy of every army that happened along. The new Philippines enjoy healthful living conditions, and they manufacture and export merchandise that brings the prosperity of which you brag."

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INTERESTING DEMONSTRATION AT HELENA MAY.

The history and origin of Ikebana (plant placing) was extensively dealt with by Mr. Murakami who in an introductory explanation of the various meanings and methods of correctly placing flowers, gave an address prior to a very interesting demonstration of "Japanese Flower Placing" by Mr. Sojun Wada at the Helena May Institute last evening.

Mr. Murakami traced the origin of the plants of Japan and explained in detail their fundamental principles and sentiments. To elucidate his explanations he made free use of a black board and by means of diagrams, gave his audience a vivid idea of the significance of flower placing in Japan.

There was a large number of members of the Institute present as well as several outsiders. Among the attendance were Lady Clementi, Sir Henry Collan, Sir Joseph Kemp, Mr. Justice Wood, Mr. A. E. Wood, Mr. E. Ralph and many others.

Meaning of Ikebana.

Dealing with the meaning and usefulness of Ikebana he said that Ikebana literally meant the way and manner of putting plants, or vegetation with or without flowers in a living condition. It is an art to display or reflect intensively the beauty and joys of nature on a flower vase.

It helped people to appreciate the beauty of nature even though confined in a small and humble room; and it helped to keep the mind pure, calm, self-possessed and contented.

Flower placing, explained the speaker, is used not only for amusements or culture but also in conveying one's sentiments or ideas to others. In short, Ikebana is an art and an accomplishment for the people in Japan and is an etiquette in social life.

The speaker then went on to explain the three fundamental principles of Ikebana and with the aid of a black board, illustrated the method of arranging plants after a special form. There were three principal forms of arranging them with certain specifications between each plant.

Meanings and Sentiments.

In selecting plants for conveying meanings and sentiments three kinds of branches were necessary: thick, long and in full bloom and half bloom and buds. In leaves there are young foliage, grown up leaves and the leaves which had faded in colour. In flowers there are buds, flower in half bloom, and flower in full bloom.

The speaker went on to explain in detail the art of presenting the plant, leaf or flower in a pure and clean form of beauty and yet retain as far as possible its natural state. He also referred to the utensils required for practising the art of Ikebana and also dealt with the significance of flower placing and illustrated by diagrams the method of arranging flowers in certain portions of Japanese houses.

Following Mr. Murakami's interesting introduction, Mr. Wada gave a demonstration on "Japanese Flower Placing," with the aid of vases and plants, which he placed in various positions on the platform, each position portraying different meanings or sentiments.

At the close thanks were returned to both Mr. Murakami and Mr. Wada.

Art Fostered.

During the following five centuries when there were internal struggles among the war lords Ikebana was, like every art in science of civilisation, left to the care of priests, Court nobles and the Imperial household.

CHILD IMPROVEMENT.

STRONGER, TALLER AND BETTER NOURISHED.

London, Dec. 5. Sir George Newman, Chief Medical Officer of the Board of Education, in his annual report on conditions in British schools, declares that the English child is growing in stature and weight, and that the child of to-day is stronger, taller, heavier and better nourished than the child of 1907. He recommends a further provision of playing fields, the extension of infant welfare service, and teaching of hygiene in schools.—British Wireless.

The art was fostered and by the fifteenth century had reached a very successful stage and was just the same to-day. Minor details had been improved but the principle had been the same. Although Western civilisation had affected the Japanese for nearly a century yet Ikebana still retained its old and traditional influence. Even now it was deemed by the Japanese to be a culture or an accomplishment essential for ladies and helpful even to gentlemen.

It had nearly the same importance as the piano had to the Western World. There are many schools for the teaching of this art in Japan from the old and simple ones down to the latest and artificial ones. Although each school claimed that its style was the best, there was no fundamental difference in idea and principle but only in minor details.

The speaker then went on to explain the three fundamental principles of Ikebana and with the aid of a black board, illustrated the method of arranging plants after a special form. There were three principal forms of arranging them with certain specifications between each plant.

Meanings and Sentiments.

In selecting plants for conveying meanings and sentiments three kinds of branches were necessary: thick, long and in full bloom and half bloom and buds. In leaves there are young foliage, grown up leaves and the leaves which had faded in colour. In flowers there are buds, flower in half bloom, and flower in full bloom.

The speaker went on to explain in detail the art of presenting the plant, leaf or flower in a pure and clean form of beauty and yet retain as far as possible its natural state. He also referred to the utensils required for practising the art of Ikebana and also dealt with the significance of flower placing and illustrated by diagrams the method of arranging flowers in certain portions of Japanese houses.

Following Mr. Murakami's interesting introduction, Mr. Wada gave a demonstration on "Japanese Flower Placing," with the aid of vases and plants, which he placed in various positions on the platform, each position portraying different meanings or sentiments.

At the close thanks were returned to both Mr. Murakami and Mr. Wada.

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EXCITING RESCUE.

CREW TOWED THREE MILES TO THE SHORE.

New York, Dec. 5. The Eastern states yesterday had their first taste of winter in the form of gales and high seas along the coast, and snowstorms.

A seventy mile an hour gale swept the Norwegian steamer Cliao and the Greek steamer Paraguay ashore on the North Carolina coast. Four men from the Paraguay were drowned but the remainder of the crews of both vessels were rescued.

The seas around the Cliao were so high that the rescuers were unable to approach the ship. The crew of 24 roped themselves together and leaped into the sea. The rescuers plied up the end of the rope and towed the men three miles to land. Eight of them were unconscious when they reached the shore but were revived.—Reuter's American Service.

NEWLY WED INJURED.

PRINCE ZOUBKOFF IN MOTOR CYCLE ACCIDENT.

Godesberg, Dec. 5. Prince Zoubkoff met with an accident to-day while mounting his motorcycle. He was sent to hospital with internal and other injuries.—Reuter.

Prince Zoubkoff, a Russian dancer, recently married Princess Victoria, a sister of the ex-Kaiser, at Bonn.

FREE STATE LOAN.

IRELAND BORROWS \$15,000,000.

New York, Dec. 5. The Irish Free State is appearing as a borrower in the American market for the first time to-day with an offer of a loan of \$15,000,000 at five per cent, issued at 97. 4,000,000 worth are also being issued in Ireland.—Reuter's American Service.

QUAKE VICTIMS.

FOURTEEN NATIVES KILLED IN THE CELEBES.

The Hague, Dec. 5. Fourteen natives are reported to have been killed and fifty injured in earthquakes in the North West of the Celebes. Especially in Donggala and Palao districts, there has been much damage.—Reuter.

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MOREA	10,953	7th Jan. 1928.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,114	7th Jan.	Straits & Bombay
DEVANHA	8,155	21st Jan.	Marseilles, L'don, & A'werp
MALWA	10,986	4th Feb.	Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
KHYBER	9,114	18th Feb.	Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
MACEDONIA	11,120	3rd Mar.	Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
KHIVA	9,135	10th Mar.	Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
KASHMIR	8,985	17th Mar.	Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
KARMA	9,128	24th Mar.	Marseilles & London
MANTUA	10,946	31st Mar.	Marseilles & London
KALYAN	9,144	7th Apr.	Marseilles, L'don & A'werp
MONGOLIA	16,504	14th Apr.	Marseilles & London

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KALYAN	9,144	14th Dec.	Shai, Moji, Kobo & Yoko
DEVANHA	8,155	24th Dec.	Shai, Moji, Kobo & Yoko
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KHYBER	9,114	21st Jan.	Shai, Moji, Kobo & Yoko
KHIVA	9,135	28th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobo
MACEDONIA	11,120	4th Feb.	Shai, Moji, Kobo & Yoko
TANDA	6,656	7th Feb.	Moji, Kobo, Osaka & Yoko
KASHMIR	8,985	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobo
KALYAN	9,144	2nd Mar.	Shai, Moji, Kobo & Yoko
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PROHIBITION LAW.

U. S. CAMPAIGN AGAINST BOOTLEGGERS.

Washington, Dec. 5.

1,319 American vessels were seized during the past year for attempting to introduce intoxicating liquor into the United States, of which 32 carried liquor, the remainder being without cargo, according to the annual report of Mrs. Mabel Willebrandt, assistant Attorney General, in charge of the prohibition division. 330 American vessels with contraband liquor, were captured the previous years. The report records that bootleggers are continually building better and speedier boats, whose operations are more difficult and capture more difficult, and says that the seizure of foreign vessels continued about the same as heretofore.

The more stringent regulations of the Canadian Government had decreased illegal operations from Canadian ports.

The report mentions the Supreme Court decision in April as regards the legality of the seizure of the British steamship Quadrant in the Pacific, as "settling many hitherto doubtful questions respecting the interpretation of the Anglo-American Extra-territorial Seizure Convention."

Approximately \$6,000,000 in Federal judgments, fines and penalties were imposed, and there was a "definite increase in the percentage of fines collected." There was a very substantial increase in Civil Court business but a notable decrease in criminal business under the National Prohibition Act.—Reuter's American Service.

ITALY AND FRANCE.

SATISFACTORY PROVISIONAL AGREEMENT.

London, Dec. 5.

An exchange of letters during the week-end between M. Briand and the Italian Ambassador has established a provisional agreement, which will later be embodied in a convention, that rights and privileges shall be enjoyed by Italians in France and by Frenchmen in Italy similar to those they would possess in their own countries. This development is welcomed by the British newspapers as a manifestation of goodwill, particularly timely in view of recent events. The question to which the provisional agreement refers is of particular importance to Italy, since Italians, variously estimated at between 500,000 and 800,000 have settled in France.—British Wireless.

KING FEISAL LEAVES.

MANY BID HIM FAREWELL.

London, Dec. 5.

King Feisal to-day concluded his visit to England and left for home via Paris. At the station he received many guests in the Royal waiting room, and Lord Lucas (?) representing King George, and representatives of the Foreign and Colonial offices were among those present to say farewell.—British Wireless.

OIL FROM COAL.

EXPERIMENTAL STAGE HAS BEEN PASSED.

London, Dec. 5.

Mr. Frank Hodges made a speech last night at Newcastle on the progress made by the Central Electricity Board of which he is a member. He expressed optimism regarding the future of the British coal industry, which he said possessed great recuperative powers. Expansion of trade was, however, unlikely without recourse to science, and he made suggestions also for improved organisation.

The importation of oil for propelling ships had made inroads into the home and mercantile marine trade, but there was no cause for anxiety and he believed they were beyond the experimental stage in obtaining oil supplies from coal. Next year would reveal real progress in this direction. "And the day is at hand when oil in the Mercantile Marine will be challenged not by raw fuel like coal but

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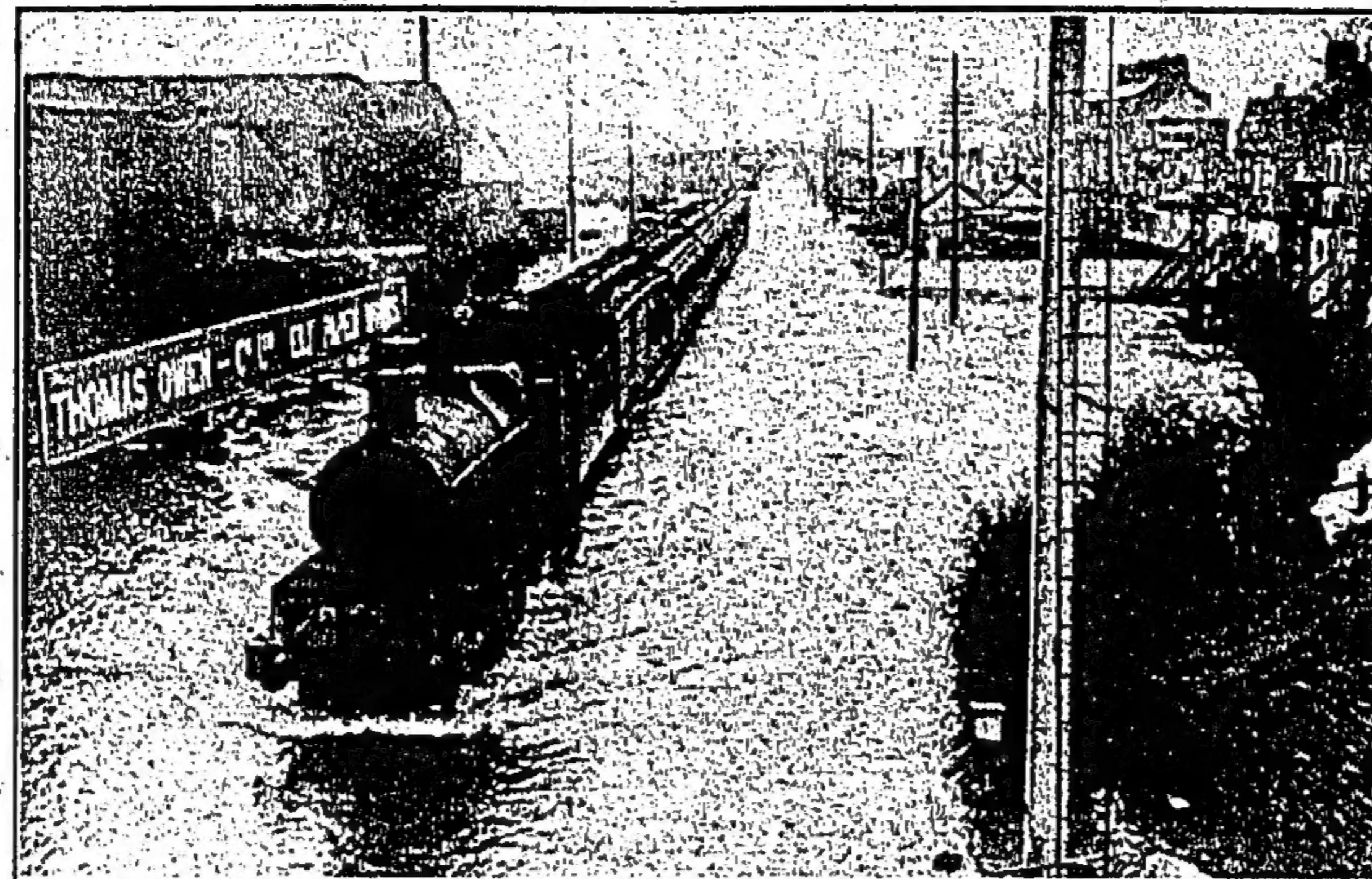
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Victoria, Hongkong.**FLOOD SCENES IN WALES.**

This photograph of a train on the Great Western Railway, near Ely Station (South Wales), was taken during the heavy floods experienced at Home last month. In some of the streets, the water rose to a height of six feet.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS.**PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK.**

The following Hongkong Police Reserve orders are issued by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police:

Indian Company.

Training.—The following is the result of the examination in Part 2. (Knowledge of Police Duties and Regulations) held on Friday, December 2nd. Passed with credit—Constable R.248 Rangin Shah. Passed—Constable R.215 Mohamad, R.226 Kadar.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hongkong section on Thursday, December 8th will start from Central Police Station as usual at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress: Khaki.

Sharpshooters Co.

Mr. E. R. Dovéy has been appointed by the Captain Superintendent of Police to command this Company with the rank of Sub-Inspector.

General: (Part 3 Musketry).

The following Police Reservists will attend at the Kennedy Road Revolver Range in mufti on Sunday, December 11th at 10.00 a.m. sharp for instruction in revolver shooting under Inspector H. J. Paterson. 6 men to be detailed by O. C. Chinese Co.; 5 men to be detailed by O. C. Indian Co.; 10 men to be detailed by O. C. Flying Squad.

Police Training School.

Classes for instruction in Part 2 of training course will be held at the Police Training School under Inspector H. J. Paterson on Thursday, December 8th and Tuesday, December 13th commencing both evenings at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Training Part 1: (Squad Drill).

All members of the Police Reserve who have not yet passed out as efficient in Part 1 will parade in mufti at the Central Police Station for Squad Drill and Rifle Exercises under Sergeant R. J. Hunt as follows:

Chinese Company on Thursday, December 8th and Tuesday, December 13th.

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(Sgd.) G. B. HARTFORD,

D.S.P. (R.C.),

Adjutant.

Hongkong, Dec. 6, 1927.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to-day's questions:

1. Dr. Foley-Norris. 2. Edward II. 3. England's regular Army at the outbreak of war so called because the King referred to them as "England's contemptible Army." (b) the first Kitchener volunteers. 4. John Keats. William Cory. Edgar Allan Poe. Lord Byron. Francis Bacon. 5. The blood-sucking, the bites of which transmit the disease. 6. The Duke of York. 7. (a) Crooks, more particularly safe-breakers; (b) a person who is an authority; (c) a person who is a person of influence. 8. Two or more. (a) two; (c) one. 9. Lazarus. 10. The approval mark of the consul of each country represented on a passport. 11. Spain. 12. Scotland. 13. Hawaii. 14. British. 15. The International Labour Organization, National Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Young Women's Christian Association, Universities' Mission to Central Africa.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, has been elected an Elder Brother of the Corporation of Trinity House in place of the late Lord George Hamilton. Trinity House, a corporation dating from 1514, has supervision over pilotage round the British coasts and the Channel Islands and at Gibraltar, and looks after the removal of wrecks dangerous to navigation. The Duke of Connaught is the Master, and there are a Deputy-Master (Vice-Admiral G. R. Mansell), and 21 Elder Brethren, the latter including the King, the Prince of Wales, and Prince Arthur of Connaught. The headquarters are at Trinity House, Tower Hill, E.C.

INTIMIDATION.

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Union. Nevertheless, skeleton crews continued a service yesterday until several hours after the shooting.

The Union, situated at 338 Yung Road, has been a hotbed of agitation and Communist headquarters. They held secret meetings plotting new methods of terrorism. They had not paid their rent for three months, and the police, at the request of the landlord, and their own instigation, secured an order and sealed the premises on November 25.

Aware of the situation, the police yesterday detailed special patrols. Detectives were sent out to the main corners and constables, instead of wearing uniforms, wore their civilian clothes.

It was one of these who shot the first assassin, and in turn received a flesh wound in the forearm.

During the shooting, the police fired 13 shots and the gangsters shot 17 times. When examined by the police it seemed as though the Mausers had not been fired before—they were entirely new. The pistol of one man was empty, but he carried two full clips. The other's weapon had been fired six times.

Tram officials have viewed the dead bodies and state that they were not former employees. The Fingerprint Department has not identified them as having been in custody before. It is the police theory that they are professional imported gunmen.

KWANTUNG WAR.

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with Li Chai-sum by sending an army down from the North River to launch an attack on the "Ironsides". The likelihood is that these two generals will remain neutral in Hunan, though some Canton reports say that an agreement or an understanding has been reached between the Nanking Nationalists and the two Hunan generals.

The more probable outcome seems to be that Generals Li Chung-yen and Pei Chung-hsi will despatch some of their troops to help General Li Chai-sum's armies to launch joint attack on the Canton "Leftists" from the North and East Rivers, while General Wang Shao-hung will be solely responsible for the military operations on the West River.

MARINE COURT CASES.**NOMINAL FINE ON CAPTAIN.**

At the Marine Court this morning, before Commdr. G. F. Hole, Captain P. J. Greene, of s.s. Ichang, of the China Navigation Company, was charged, under the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, with carrying four passengers in excess of the number allowed without a passenger certificate, to wit, 16. The ship arrived from Dauly.

Defendant pleaded guilty and stated that the number of tickets issued was governed from the office ashore, and that there had unfortunately been a duplication. The excess was not discovered until the ship had left, but the full number carried had been stated on the Harbour Office Report on arrival at Hongkong, there being no attempt at evasion.

His Worship, considering the circumstances, announced that he would inflict only nominal penalty—a fine of \$20, with the alternative of two week's imprisonment.

Boarding Without Permission.

Leung Yau, master of a passenger boat, and Sun Yeung, a board-

SOVIET'S EXPULSION URGED.

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China, and had added that no wagons were en route thither. Mr. H. Day (Labour) asked whether a reduction was contemplated in the near future.

Commander King replied that he was unable to give any further information.—Reuter.

RIVAL GENERALS.

Tension Still Prevails.

Hankow, Dec. 5. It now transpires that General Li Chung-yen has not left for Shanghai. His emissaries have been sent to attend the Conference.

The tension between Generals Chen Chien and Li Chung-yen has not relaxed, but at the moment open conflict between the two is not anticipated.—*News Weekly*.

U.S. MANCHURIA LOAN.

Chinese Opposition.

Peking, Nov. 30. Repercussions were heard in Japanese circles to-day to a purported statement by Yang Yu-ting, chief of staff for Chang Tao-lin, in which he attacked Japan's record in Manchuria and declared that the Government and people of China were bitterly opposed to a proposed loan by J.P. Morgan & Co. to the Japanese South Manchurian Railway.

The Japanese minister to Peking, Mr. Yoshizawa, told correspondents that he had asked Yang Yu-ting whether he had made the statements attributed to him in the newspapers. If Yang confirms that he did, there will be further steps, Mr. Yoshizawa said.

The Minister said that Yang's alleged assertion that the Chinese were not negotiating with Japan in regard to Manchuria was at variance with facts. He asserted that negotiations were progressing between himself and Yang, adding that the "subjects discussed were merely the construction of a few railroad lines and a few local questions."

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